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By W. E. McKenney,

Secretary, American Bridge League.

Practically every system at contract bridge has some form of a demand bid. A demand bid is one which requires partner to keep the bidding open.

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Rebid the suit shown.
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Permit your partner to play the hand at three no trump.

A three bid must be supported by partner with one quick trick and normal support in the suit bid. Or it may be supported with four cards of the suit bid and no outside strength.

Not holding normal support, but one trick and a biddable suit of your own, this suit should be shown.

When holding less than four cards of the suit bid by partner and a generally worthless hand, your proper response is three no trump. The proper response would also be three no trump if you held only one quick trick and no biddable suit.

When holding better than the one quick trick, and no biddable suit, your proper response would be four or more no trump. Remember that partner, when making an original three bid, holds a very powerful hand and if you hold more than one quick trick, you should be prepared to show these additional values which may assist your partner in arriving at a small or grand slam declaration.

When partner opens with an original three bid of a minor suit, don't be too anxious to jump the contract into a game-going declaration as any original three bid requires the bidding to be kept open until a game contract is arrived at.

The simplicity of this system can easily be summed up as follows:

1—One bids simply show a fair hand and should not be assisted without real trick values.

2—Two bids indicate hands on which the changes look good for going game, and can be supported with minimum help, but you are not required to support with worthless cards.

3—Three bids show the power house hands that will generally produce game if you and your partner can select the correct suit or no trump. They are all demand bids and you are required to keep the bidding open. With a worthless hand, the proper response is three no trump—thus partner is assured of a second opportunity to bid.

INDEPENDENCE OF PHILIPPINES.

REACTION IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, Apr. 5.
Mr. Stimson's letter on Philippine independence is given wide prominence in this evening's papers. Official quarters appear surprised at the House's passage of the Hareo Bill, as they never regarded the question of independence as a practical proposition of the near future.

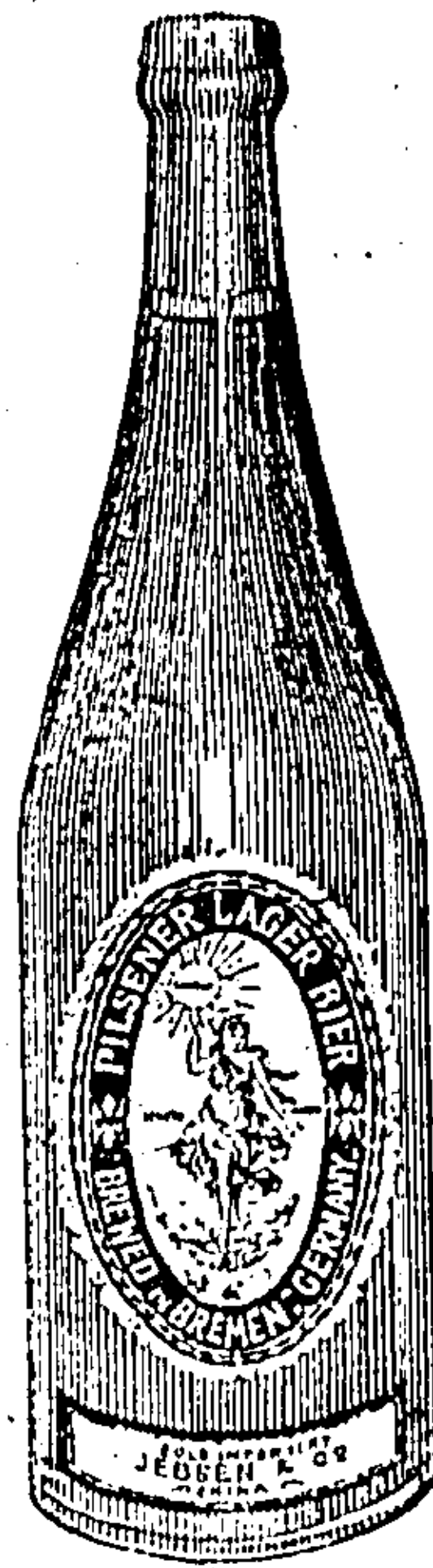
Mr. Stimson's fear regarding Japan if independence be granted is declared to be unfounded. The belief is expressed that Japan would willingly enter a pact guaranteeing Philippine independence if America desired it.

Surprise is expressed at the "imperialistic" tone of Mr. Stimson's letter, which has called forth the comment, "It is difficult to

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GRAVE POSITION FACING THE SOVIET.

London, Apr. 5.
The greatest anxiety is felt by the Soviet Government owing to the possible failure of the grain crop all over Russia and the bad state of livestock production, caused by alleged "criminal neglect" in spring sowing preparations and the fact that the collective farms have not carried out more than half the winter programme, according to very reliable information from Riga, which states that this is mainly due to apathy on the part of the peasants, as a result of which the Government has issued a decree denouncing the management of the state estate farms and has arrested 1,700 officials for their dismal failure to provide meat, milk and butter for the "toiling masses."

They have also ordered the state farms to be split into smaller units.

A great effort to retrieve the situation is being made "by shock tactics," and meanwhile the Soviet press points out that the root of the evil is the "depersonalization" or absence of any sense of individual responsibility on the part of the peasants, who have been deprived of their holdings which have been incorporated in the collective system.—Reuter.

believe that it was written by the same writer as the recent letter to Mr. Borah."—Reuter.

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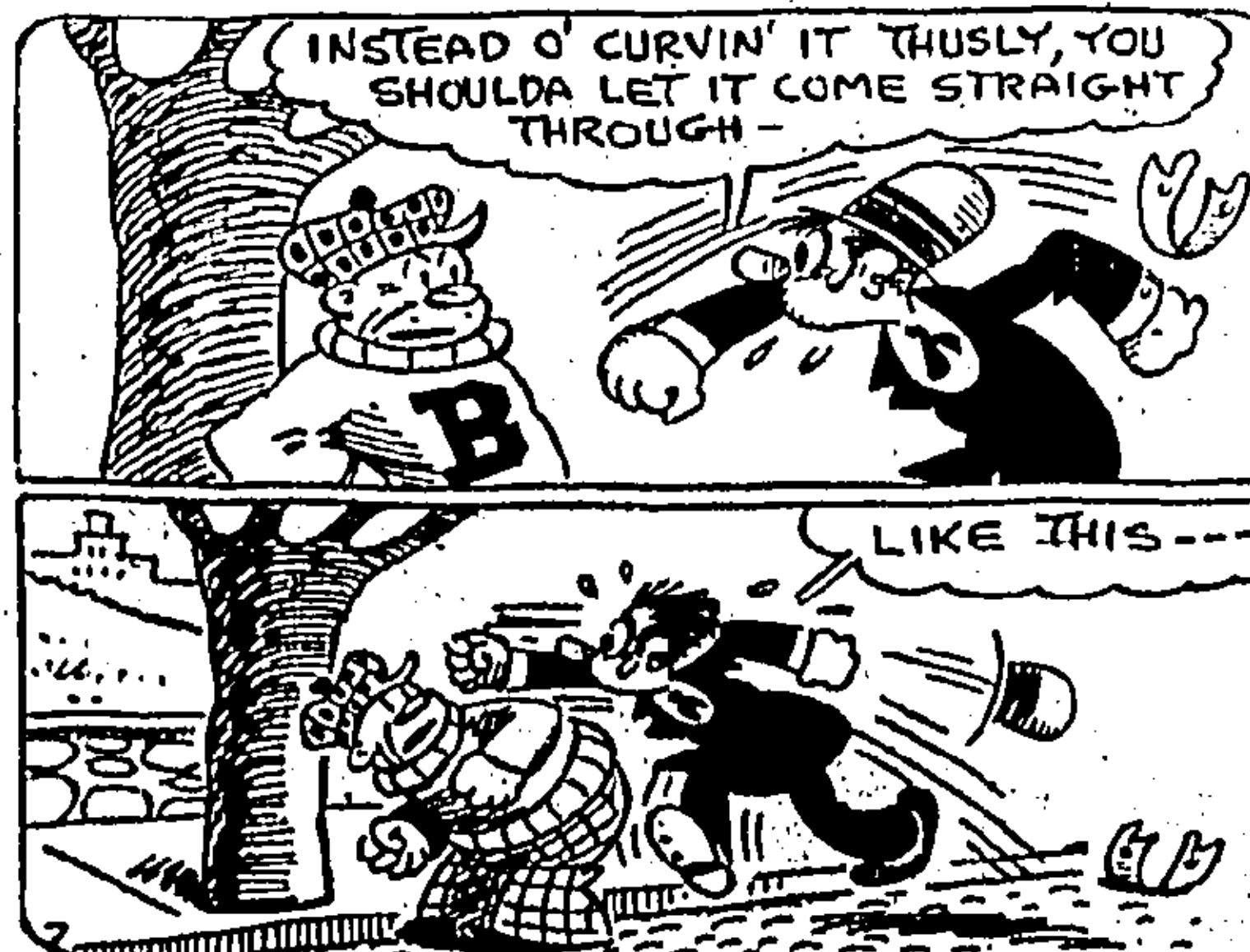
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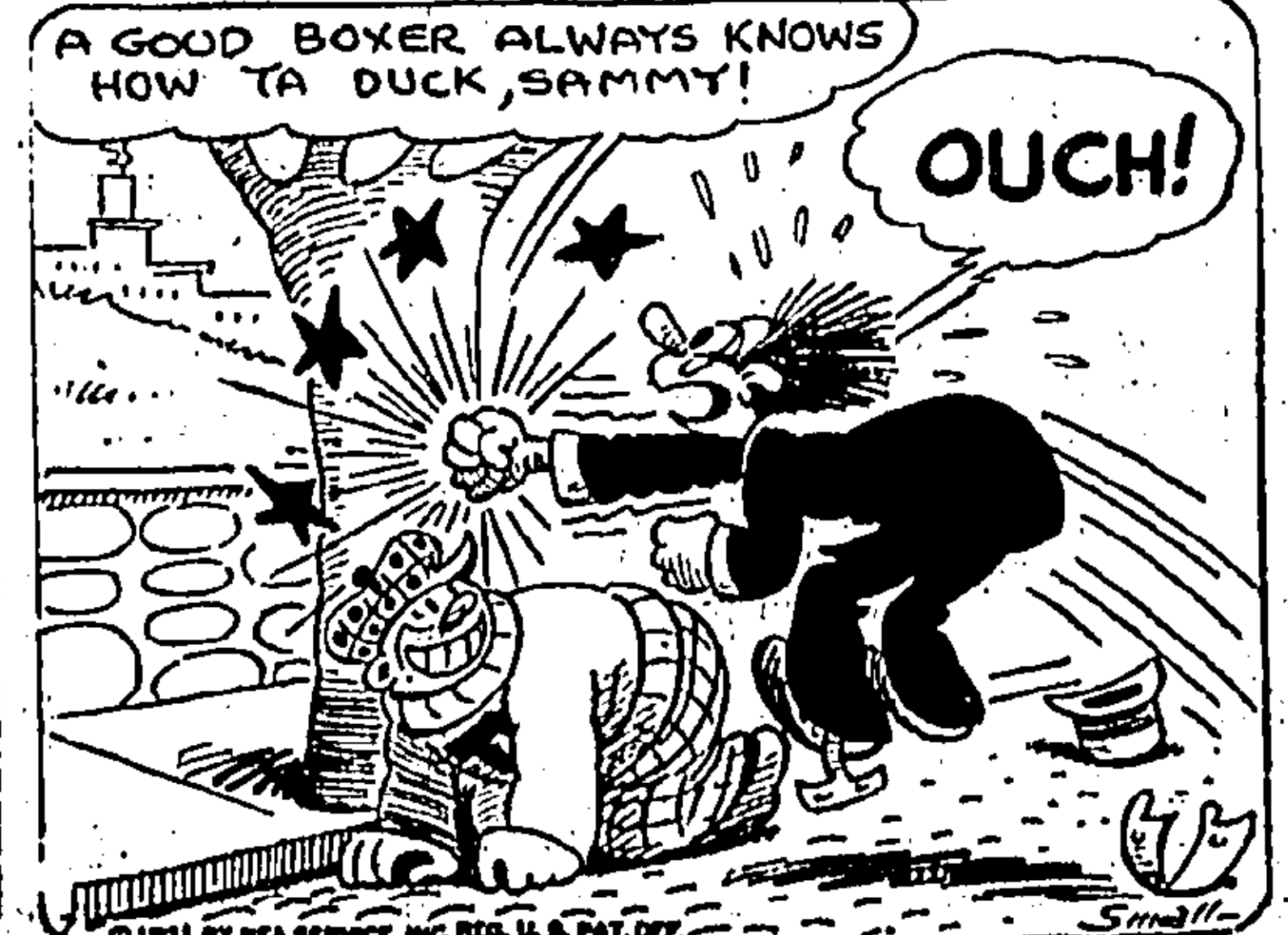
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Another Right Gone Wrong!



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A NEW PORTRAIT OF GEORGE WASHINGTON: YOUTHFUL COUNT & MARKSMAN.



A fantastic building plan, costing \$250,000,000, is proceeding in New York to the order of J. D. Rockefeller, Jr.,. Hanging gardens in the style of old Babylon will be one of the features.



Princess Taka Kazuko and Princess Teru Shigeko, pictured in a Tokyo park on an exercise walk.



The Reichwehr forces do not learn merely the use of arms as this photo shows. The mysteries of agriculture are only one of the side-lines.



Proclaiming the John Garner-for-president move as "young, but growing fast," this unique float from Boerne, Texas, drew shouts of glee during a colorful parade staged by Democrats at their State Convention in San Antonio.



Miss Anna Rutz, performer of Maria Otero in the Oberam-berg Passion Plays, who has under taken the prosaic post of housekeeper to a Sussex gentleman.



A National-Socialist demonstration at Vienna recently, showing the main entrance of the University where students examined everybody who desired entrance.



A new portrait of George Washington, the last one known to have been made of him from life. Its date is 1799, the year of Washington's death, and it was executed in crayon colour by Dr. Elisha C. Dick, a physician who attended Washington during his last illness and who marked a clock at Mt. Vernon to show the moment of the First President's death. The portrait, executed on the back of a parchment certificate of membership in a Masonic lodge to which both Washington and Dr. Dick belonged, recently was discovered in Alexandria, Va.



Nine years old, and an Italian count, Ricardo Malvasia Della Serra also is one of the world's best marksmen. He is pictured at the Italian pigeon shoot at San Remo, where he defeated more than 200 other contestants from many countries and won a \$1,200 cash prize.

THREE KINDS OF LOVE by KAY CLEAVER STRAHAN

CHAPTER XLVIII

Rosalie occasionally inserted an explanatory phrase; Ann interrupted once or twice; Cecily asked several questions; but, on the whole, the three women sat quietly and listened while Grand kept right at it, standing on and on and on. And even after he had imprinted a kiss on Ann's brow, and another on the top of Cecily's head (she had ducked), and had quivered his voice into the words, "God bless you, my darlings, God bless you," and had gone from the room with Rosalie, who was trying to weep, Ann and Cecily continued sitting still and saying nothing. Finally Ann said, "Well," it had the effect of having been dropped from a height to a hard place, though it landed in fair order.

Cecily asked "Do you feel as foolish as I feel?"

"Pushed out of the nest," said Ann.

They smiled together then, but not happily; fearfully, rather, and shamefacedly.

"No, but really," Cecily said, "what do you think Ann?"

"Nothing, I'm stunned. I'm flat. What do you think?"

"I'm afraid to stir off this sofa. I wouldn't pinch myself for a dollar."

"He had the receipt. You made him show it to you, Ciss, you were dreadful."

"Yes, and you said, 'Let me see it, before I even had it in my hand.' She looked at her watch. 'It's a quarter past one,' she announced, as good news, and added, 'Barry left at half-past 12.'

"I couldn't sleep," Ann said. "Cissy, let's see if we can't find a few words and put them together and talk."

"It would be fun," Cecily suggested, "to telephone to the boys. They've had time to get home."

"So later?" said Ann.

"Fun!" said Cecily.

"But what could we say?" Ann mused. "I mean—what could we say over the telephone? Where could we begin?"

"I'm not going to say much of anything," Cecily dared to get off the sofa, though she did not pinch herself. "I'm going to be sort of mysterious—a loaf from Rosalie's book. I'm feeling too silly for sense. Barry will loathe it. Oh, fun! But I'll tell him to come on Saturday."

"Yes," said Ann, and stood. "I think I'll just tell Phil."

Cecily had gone.

Ann looked timidly across the room to the exact spot on the hearth rug where Grand had stood, his hands clasped over the fourth button on his vest, his round white beard moving gently with his words, his head nodding his periods. He had said, unmistakably, while Cissy there on the horsehair sofa pouted and looked sullen, that the dearest desire of his life and of Rosalie's life had ever been to see their darlings married to good, worthy men who loved them and whom they loved in return. So much was true and easy to believe. But—going on from there?

Rosalie had said that it was pleasant to have an expensive hotel. That it combined the qualities of the best hotels and the best private homes and was neither. That it was beautifully furnished, with a guaranteed temperature of 72 throughout the winter, and a charming, quaint dining room with wee tables for two, and larger tables, if one desired them, and each table had a sweet little pink-shed light on it.

Cecily had interrupted somewhere about there, and had remarked that it took quantities of money to buy livings in places of that sort.

Unhappily, Grand had gone on and on. Perhaps Ann had not attended as well as she should have attended. She was tired out and sleepy. For years and years, Grand had said, Rosalie and he had gladly, more than gladly, indeed, made a home for their girls. There had been so much of that—so much of the home that he and Rosalie had gladly made for girls who had loved their home so deeply that they were reticent about leaving it. "Timid feet," he had said. And soon he was being stern about timid feet and reticence, and was comparing them with self-reliance, and had seemed to confuse self-reliance with love, and ladies who knew their own minds, and, suddenly, had roundly denounced from out of whole cloth, coquettes and flirts.

Presently Ann had noticed that Cecily looked odd, and pink, and pucker faced, though Grand had said only, in so far as Ann had heard, that he and Rosalie were past middle age. He went on to say, as Ann listened more intently, that they feared, ay, almost dreaded another winter in this great, cold, draughty place, with the hardships and insufficiency of fuel. He feared for Rosalie's health. Rosalie feared for his health—a recurrence of last winter's serious,

all but fatal illness. Fear, however, would not force them to evade their duty. Never had their duty been evaded. They were not, now, evading it. As Mr. Carmichael had pointed out—one must be able to discern where one's real duty lay.

Eagles pushed their eaglets from the nest, but flew beneath them with outstretched wings to catch them should they fall. The home was here. He and Rosalie would be near their darlings, in fact and in spirit, flying beneath them should their wings grow weak—ready to give advice, to help catch them should they fall. He and

LOVE OF LUXURY?

This was the choice facing Ellen Rossiter, a "dime-a-dance girl" in a Broadway dance hall. Ellen had never known luxuries and longed for them. Larry Harrowgate whom she loved treated her as a playmate, was never serious. Steven Barclay, rich and middle-aged, offered her every happiness money could buy.

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Rosalie had waited now, patiently and long. They had paid the money for the livings in May, at a time when the vacancy had occurred, and at a time when their darlings' futures had seemed planned and secure. They had waited. They had not complained.

Cecily, so recently scolded concerning reticence had, here, spoken right out. "You have paid the money for the livings? Paid it in May? Did they give you a receipt? May I see it?"

Grand had taken the paper from his old bill folder and had shown it, and Ann had read it word for word with her own eyes.

Mr. Carmichael, his friend, his dear friend, his good friend, had advanced the necessary amount. "Six thousand dollars!" Cecily had gasped. "But why should he—why would he lend such a lot of money?"

Friendship. Kindness. Solicitude for his friends' health. Generosity. The Golden Rule. Any number of reasons, Grand added, however, with a sort of light pride, that he had insisted upon Mr. Carmichael's taking the mansion and the grounds—the entire estate, in fact—as a pledge for the amount he had advanced.

Rosalie had said, "Merely a pledge. Not a mortgage now—um—anything disagreeable of that sort. A pledge. You know, dears, you understand?"

The dears either knew and understood or pretended that they did so.

Ann had thought, "All the time—I wonder for how long—they have hated it just as Cissy and I have hated it. That is funny. Or—is it funny? Odd that Cissy doesn't laugh. I must not laugh. It would be rude to laugh. I'll wait to laugh." Ann had said, "Yes, Grand," and, "Surely," and, "Of course," to his plan concerning Mary-Frances.

She would, he presumed, make her home with Philip and Ann. He did insist, however, he must insist that, as often as once a week, at least, Mary-Frances should come to him and to Rosalie and present to them, as Ann and Cecily had always presented, her girlish problems (if any existed), her youthful hopes, her maiden aspirations.

"And now, my darlings, my little girls—always girls to me, though soon to be women—" And then the kisses, and the blessings, and Cecily and Ann had been left alone, and neither of them could find a word to say until Ann had dropped her "Well" down from a high place. Cecily returned on tiptoes. She looked dog-gully and as radiant as a sunrise. "Barry's coming," she said. "I couldn't stop him, I tried to, angel, but I couldn't. He won't drive in. I told him to park outside the grounds and walk up. I'll see him only a minute."

Ann said, "But, Cissy, you shouldn't have," and went to the telephone.

"Phil's coming," Ann said, a few minutes later. "I couldn't stop him. But I told him to park outside the grounds and walk up."

Cecily and Ann sat waiting on the porch. It was cold out there, so they huddled together. Cecily giggled a little, all to herself in the darkness.

"What?" Ann asked.

"Nothing," said Cecily. "Every-

thing."

"Yes," said Ann. "I feel like laughing, too. Only—I don't know, I'm almost afraid to think of how happy Phil and I are going to be. Now that it is right here, it is almost too big to look at. I—wonder how we'll stand being so happy, all the time, and still stay sensible."

"Angel," Cecily condescended.

"Don't you feel that way, Cissy?"

"No. I don't suppose we'll be so very happy—much of the time. When two people have managed as much misery as Barry and I have managed before we are married—I suppose we'll keep on with it, more or less. Less—maybe."

"I know," said Ann.

"I'm," said Cecily.

"You'd rather be unhappy with Barry," said Ann, "than happy with anyone else."

"I hope I'm not such an idiot. No."

"But if you don't expect to be happy, what are you marrying him for?"

"Not for anything. Just because he is Barry."

"I'm," said Ann.

"The Hills," said Ann, "are such good people, Cissy."

"I know."

Ann nodded to herself. "Just the same, I'll be glad to have Mary-Frances going to a different school. We'll live on the west side, near Phil's office. I don't mean that Ermintrude isn't a nice little girl. She is—a very nice little girl, but—"

Someone was walking rapidly up the path.

Ann said, "Listen. There's Barry." Phil had farther to come, and Phil was always late.

Cecily said, "Yes," and jumped to her feet, and shook her coat straight, and was gone.

Ann closed her eyes again and rested her head back against the post and waited.

Cecily's laughter, muted, came to her ears. Odd, rather, to begin right off with laughing, as if something funny had happened the first instant. Cecily's voice came, with laughter in it.

"Ann," she called softly. "Ann. Here's Phil."

(The End.)



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W. L. ALEXANDER,

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Hongkong, 5th April, 1932.

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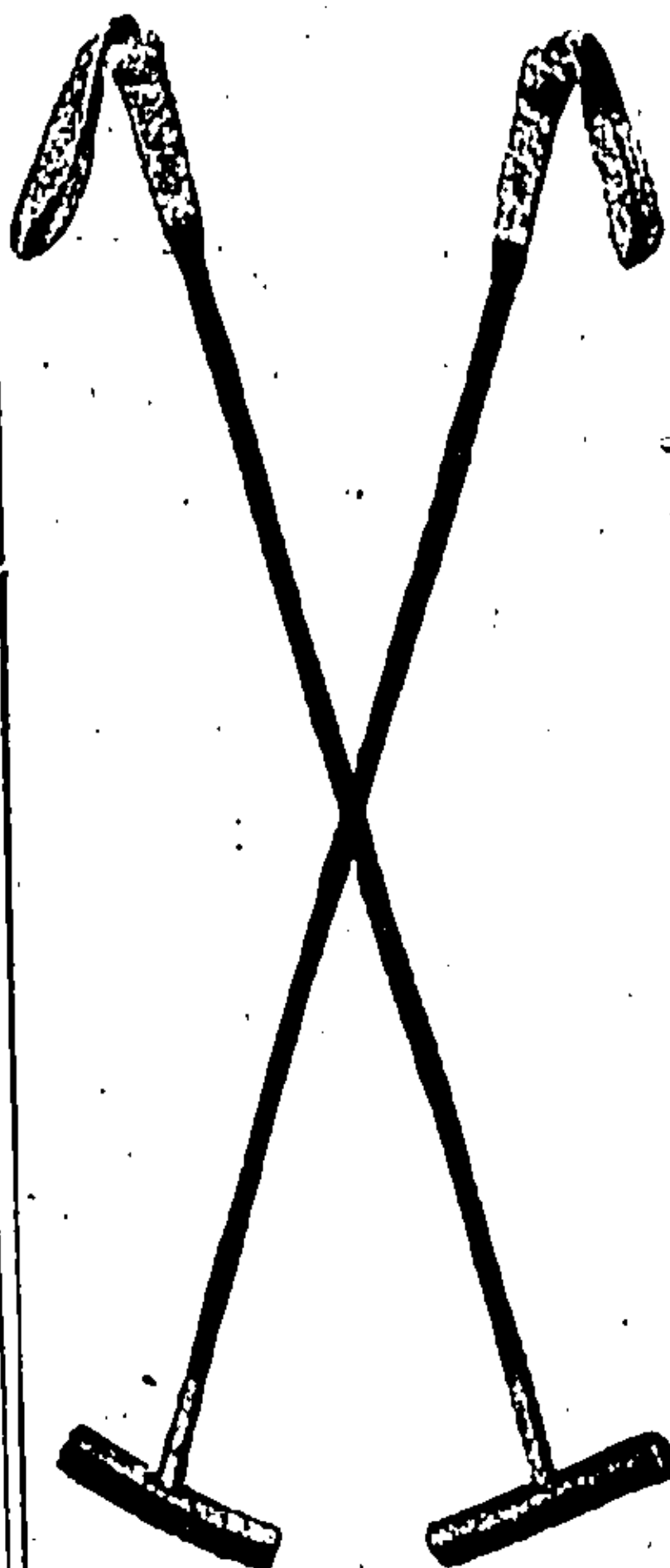
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SOUND ADVICE TO DESCENDANTS.

A most interesting will, in which he gave some very sound advice to his descendants, was left by Lam Hon-ping, alias Lam Shu-ming, alias Lam Chi-Yuen Tong, alias Lam Min Yuen Tong, who died on January 13, 1930, at No. 76, Jervois Street, leaving Hongkong estate which has been valued at \$101,800.

At the time of his death testator was the managing partner of the Yee Wo Firm, of Jervois Street. Letters of administration with the will annexed have been granted to Lam Shu-tu and Lam Shu-hi, eldest and youngest sons respectively.

The first part of testator's will is as follows:—"I am the second son of the late Mr. Yik Yan and one of the descendants of the 21st generation of the late Mr. Kwong Shan. While a child I received lessons from my beloved mother, and while a young boy I attended school for my education. In the prime of my life I carried on travelling trade until my hair grew white. For half of my life I exerted mentally in the commercial line. In fact, I toiled in this busy and dusty world for the whole of my life.

"A Little Profit."
"By laying down inadequate plans I have not been able to make long strides as a fast steed can, and though I was slack in the ability of speculation I have succeeded in making some little profit, as insignificant as the head of a fly is.

"I regret not having achieved my aim. However, I learned that So Kwong, of the Han Dynasty, once said, 'If the virtuous were

wealthy their wisdom would, be impaired and if the ignorant were wealthy their sins would be increased. I did not want to leave a large estate to my descendants to expose them to hatred and sins. I must, however, do my duty towards them by providing them with several huts and several mow of ordinary fields so that they may have something to shelter them and a foundation to start earning their living.

"I earnestly hope my descendants will appreciate the laborious tasks undertaken by me throughout my life and will behave themselves with respect and carefulness.

Each in Own Sphere.

"Let them show their feeling towards me so that those who are scholars will devote themselves to study and will not stop until they have attained to the peak as it were of a hill; those who are farmers will devote themselves to agriculture and try to acquaint themselves with the difficulties in raising crops of grain; those who are workmen will devote themselves to their respective work to try to acquire the ability of improving their tools. In a scientific manner; and those who are business men will devote themselves to the acquisition of wealth and try their best to succeed in their mental calculation in the course of their business transactions. Of all these four lines of business, one may seriously take up one and he will become a good citizen."

In his will, testator directs that all his properties and businesses shall form part of a common estate, and the rents shall be divided into six and a half equal shares, the sacrificial fund to be entitled to one share and, "all benevolent and charitable undertakings shall be entitled to half a share." Family bequests are contained in the will.

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Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	April 8.
(London 17th March).		
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	Pres. Hayes	April 16.

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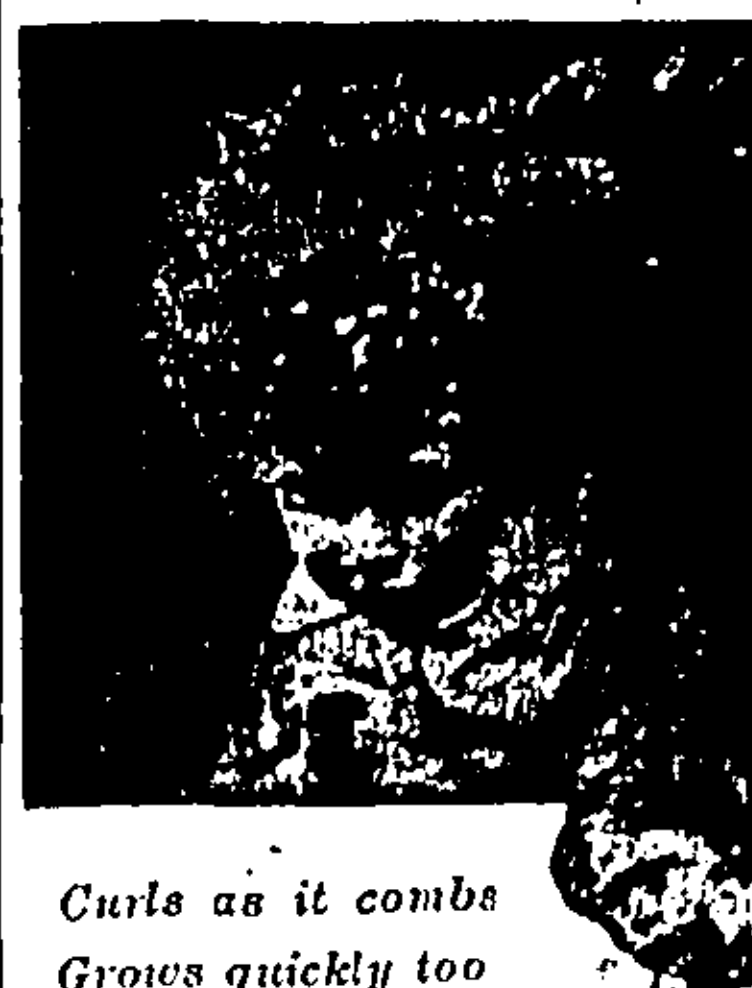
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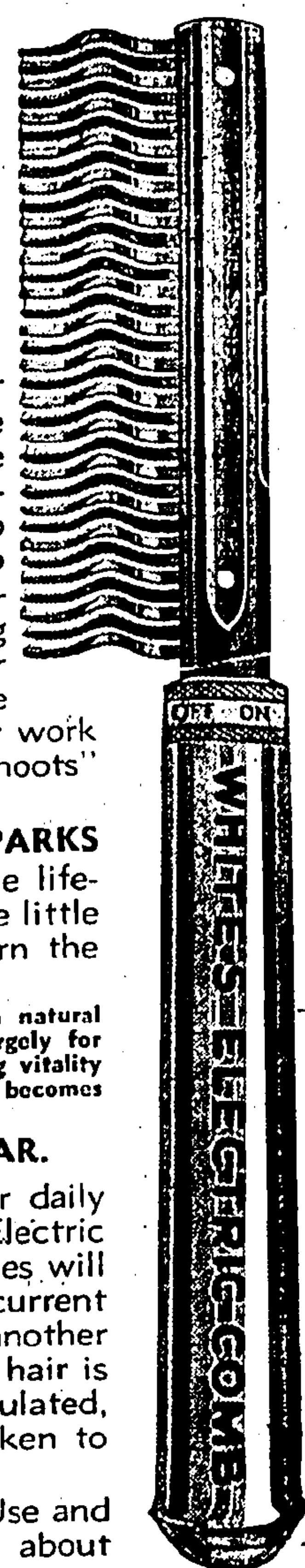
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JAPAN GOES THE LIMIT.

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Tokyo, Apr. 5. It is semi-officially stated that the Government, replying to a request by the Japanese Minister, Mr. Shigemitsu, for instructions regarding the questions of the time and area for withdrawal of troops, will instruct Mr. Shigemitsu that it is impossible for Japan to make any further concession. —*Reuter.*

A Chapel Regime.
Shanghai, Apr. 5, 5.15 p.m. The Shanghai Evening Post gives prominence to a puppet political regime in Chapel.

The paper alleges that an administrative organ—namely, "The Great Japan New Political Affairs Bureau"—is backed by Chinese politicians and Japanese military power.

This administration, asserts the paper, has headquarters in Chapel, and expects to take the place of the administration which was in force by the Chinese municipality before the entrance of the Japanese troops on January 28. The new government employees are mostly Chinese, but the deputy chief is Japanese.

General Wu Te-chen, Mayor of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, has ordered an investigation into the new regime. —*Reuter Special.*

"Puppet Regime."

Shanghai, Apr. 5. An official Japanese statement, dealing with reports that a puppet regime is being established in Chapel, says the Japanese have never attempted to institute or help to institute a political or administrative organ of any kind, by any person, but adds:

"At no time, of course, have they ever attempted to suppress, nor do they see the necessity for suppressing, any voluntary movement for self-help or self-administration by bona fide and responsible Chinese citizens." —*Reuter Special.*

French Troops to Manchuria.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. The Cabinet has approved the programme of the Army for the relief of troops in Manchuria. Imperial sanction will be sought this afternoon.

Under this plan the remainder of the 8th and 10th Divisions will be sent to Manchuria commencing about the middle of this month to relieve the Korean Division which will return to Korea. —*Reuter.*

Big Concentration Being Maintained.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. It is announced that the troops

of the Eighth Division will embark at Amori for Dairen on April 14 and 15 and the troops of the Tenth Division will embark at Uno for Dairen on April 15 and 16.

Although it was originally intended to withdraw the whole Twentieth Division for Korea it has been decided temporarily to leave one brigade in Manchuria, so that the relief will actually entail an increase of one brigade in Manchuria, giving Japan a total strength of five divisions plus the auxiliary units in Manchuria and Korea combined, compared with the present equivalent of only four divisions.

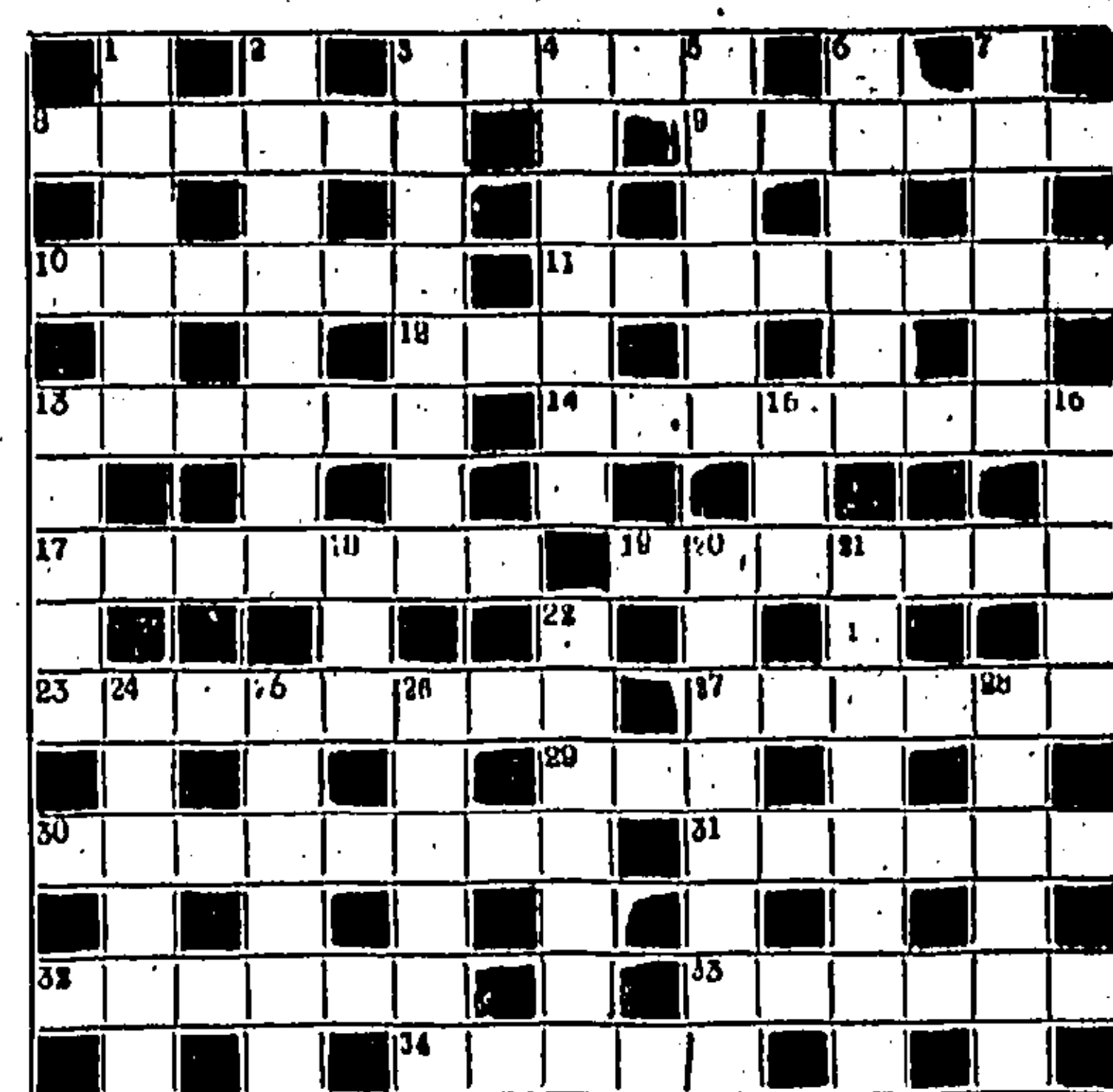
According to the War Office, the retention of a Korea brigade in Manchuria is due to the necessity to "suppress banditry over an extensive area." —*Reuter.*

Loan Arranged.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. Following the conclusion of negotiations with the Government authorities, the Mitsui and Mitsubishi concerns have decided to loan Yen 20,000,000 through the Bank of Korea to the Manchurian Government.

The terms are five per cent. interest redeemable in five years, on the security of the surplus funds of the salt gabelle, though originally it was reported that there would be no security and no interest. —*Reuter.*

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



Across

- 3 Give the bird a small brandy and soda and there will be a game.
- 8 Fruit takes a prominent part in this show.
- 9 A harmless adder.
- 10 Though you must exclude noise this unicycle is seldom noiseless.
- 11 Creation holds the elements of this response to external stimulus.
- 12 Sheepish sort of cry.
- 13 You will find a clove in this shady spot.
- 14 Sounds rather like a place where the knot would be uncomfortable—unless he loses his head, when, of course, he is fully protected.
- 17 A couple of good friends give a hand, or, at least, something very like it.
- 19 Wander aimlessly.
- 23 Article of dress that is unfashionable, but often seen in a glass.
- 27 Sovereigns and all other heads have these.
- 29 You may take it badly.
- 30 A synonym for "modern."
- 31 Gone wrong; made so by art, say.
- 32 Part of a volcano that has its own comparative value.
- 33 Bemuse.
- 34 There is nothing beside a little sliver in the desert to make her desirable.

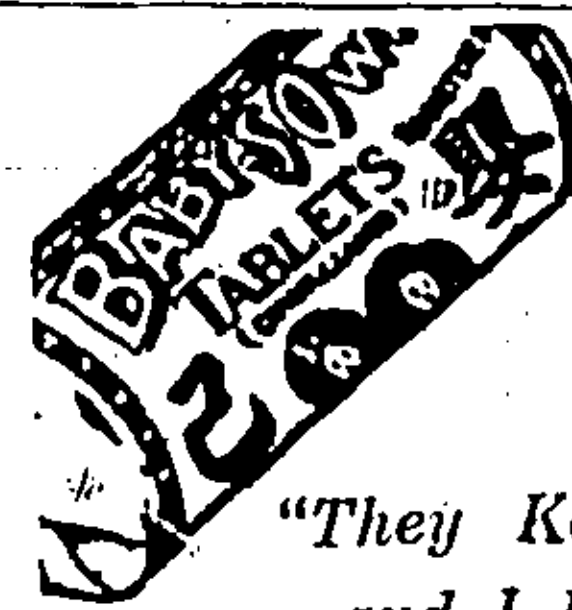
Down

- 1 Spread irregularly and with an upward twist.
- 2 Give the next of kin a weaver's implement and the family will prize it.
- 3 In melodrama the hero may second his first, and a K.C. may be counted upon to do so.
- 4 Why give assurance to jingoism.
- 5 Nevertheless, this geographical feature may be quite tortuous.
- 6 It is popularly held that, in

certain circumstances, one may be the salvation of eight others.
 7 What ships do at Aden.
 13 Its leaves are all atremble.
 15 This urchin never has to wash its neck.
 16 That side bit looks likely—resume the search at seven (hidden).
 18 Industrious little crossword insect.
 20 Vociferates.
 21 "By whose aid I have be-dimm'd the — sun" (hyphen).—"The Tempest."
 22 Although these expert weavers are always on their feet their legs show no muscular development.
 24 This Indian native State doesn't sound the place in which to spend the summer but—
 25 This is, undoubtedly, a good place to gather round in the winter.
 26 A great Roman orator who is sometimes started off with a kick.
 28 Here a nobleman comes in early, and not quite as well.

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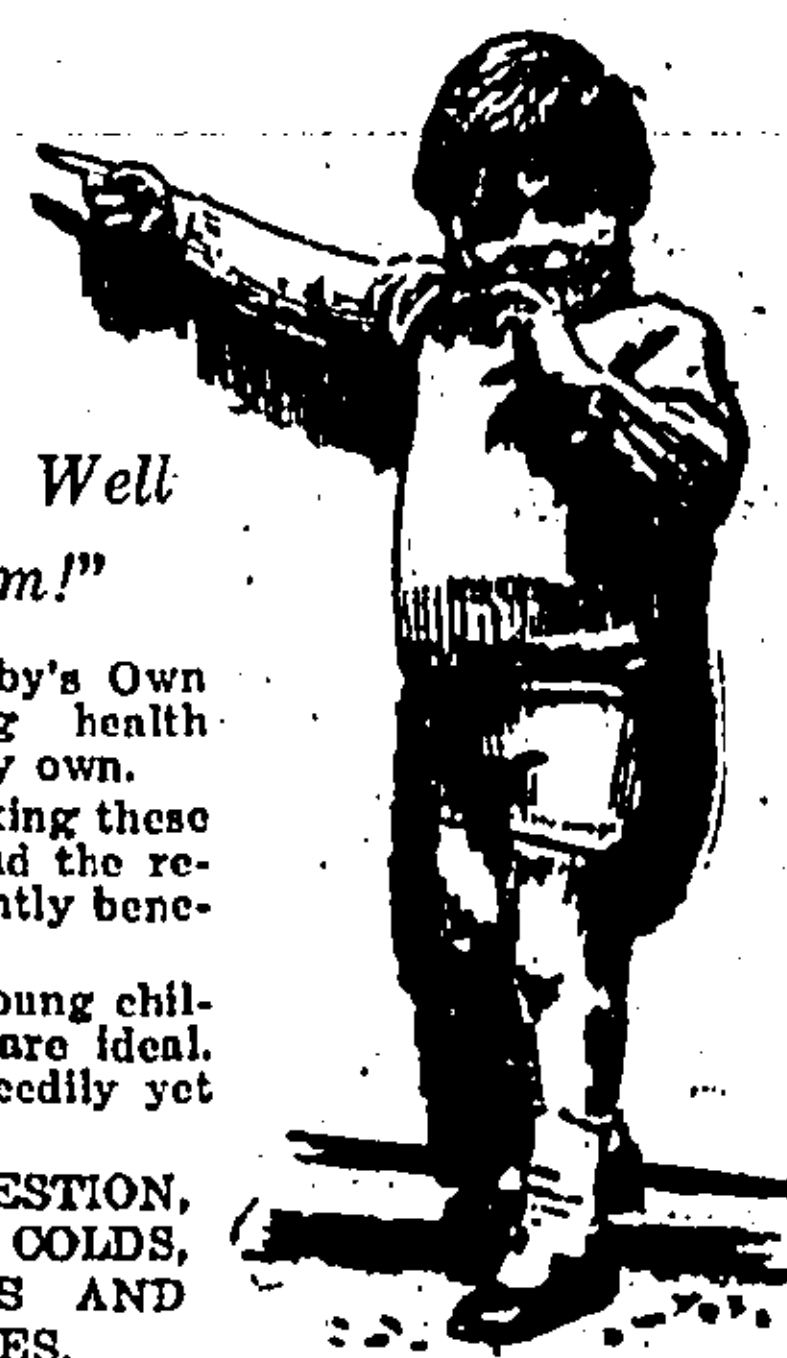
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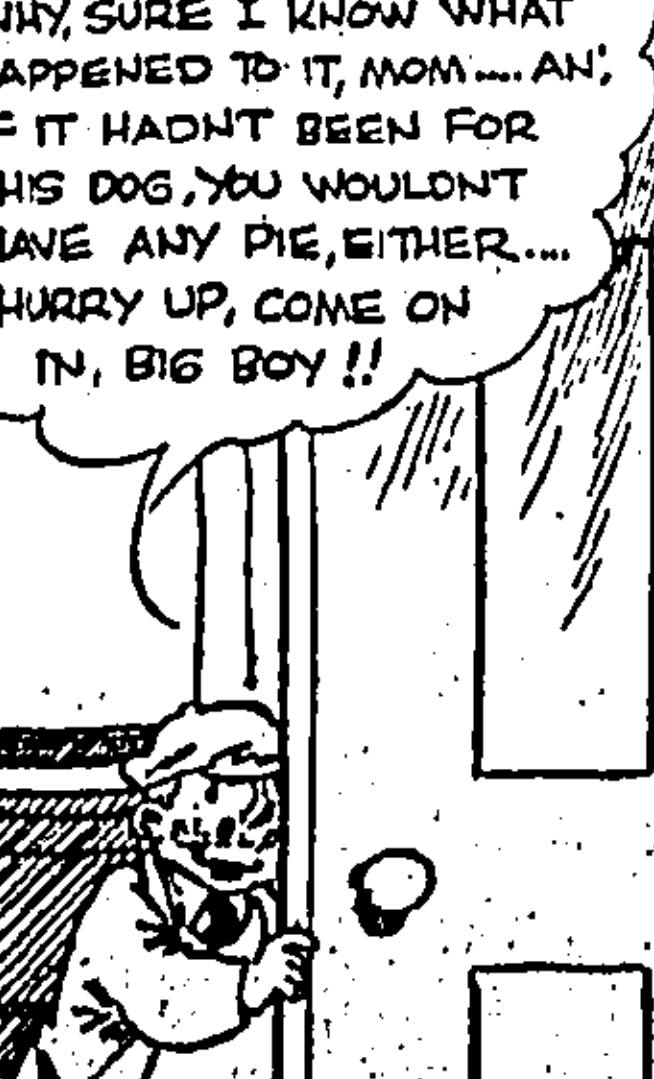
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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 6, 1932.

THE RISE IN THE
POUND.

Those who have been watching the steady rise in the pound sterling with satisfaction may be interested to learn that not all financiers are gratified at the development. Indeed, the view has been strongly expressed by one City financial editor that Britain is in distinct danger of being pushed back on to the gold standard by frenzied foreign gambling in sterling. There is, says this authority, a risk that the pound may be stabilised quickly, if not at the old parity, then at some figure around four dollars. This is the world marketing advantages of Britain's exporting industries are, it is held, again in danger of being jettisoned for the honour of London as the world's financial centre, while a trade revival for the sterling bloc of countries is on the point of being killed by the sterling prices of commodities falling before the gold prices can rise.

The view is being expressed that there is only one certain way of bringing this dangerous gamble in sterling exchange to an end. This is an announcement that the British Government does not intend to return to gold. It is not so dreadful as it sounds. Britain has been "off" the gold standard for many months, has actually benefited from the change and has helped at the same time nearly one half of the world. The Midland Bank does well to call attention in its March Review to the fact that never before has Great Britain had such opportunities for shaping the course of world trade. There is at the present time no world price for any commodity, for the world no longer operates upon a universal monetary basis. Since the middle of November last gold has been appreciating in terms of commodities (that is, gold commodity prices have been falling) while sterling has been fairly steady, despite the heavy decline in its gold value. Now on account of the great commodity markets in Liverpool and London, steady sterling prices exercise a stabilising influence upon gold prices. Per contra, falling gold prices for commodities act as a weight upon sterling quotations. The relative strength of

the two forces depends partly upon the relative importance of gold and non-gold countries as producers and consumers of particular goods, partly upon the influence of London as a world trading and financial centre. The Midland Bank estimates that sterling can be put almost, if not quite, on a parity with gold in respect of relative power over commodity prices. At any rate, the gold standard countries, and those maintaining nominal parity with gold, account for approximately one-half the total of the world's international trade. It is therefore highly important that the sterling price of commodities should not be pulled down by a sensational rise in the gold exchange value of sterling. What is needed is a rise in sterling prices to somewhere around the 1929 level, accompanied by a rise in the gold prices of commodities induced by controlled inflation in the gold-standard countries, as America, is trying to bring about.

It is suggested that if the British Government were to declare definitely for a managed paper currency for all time, if it were to express its intention of restoring the 1929 sterling price level and maintaining it by the usual monetary methods, the gamble in the sterling exchange would die an instantaneous death. A cheap money policy could then safely be followed, which would stimulate capital development at home and provide an increased demand for labour. Sterling prices would gradually rise and America would be given a real chance to make good with her "controlled inflation" scheme. As long as an active market in forward exchange was maintained, the fluctuations in the exchange values of the pound would not be to the detriment of international trade. The future of London as the world's financial centre would not be prejudiced. Sterling would become the world standard instead of gold. As Mr. Keynes remarked recently, the old gold standard worked well when it was in effect a sterling standard, but when gold went "off" sterling last autumn, the gold standard became doomed. Whatever policy is followed, it seems highly desirable that the Bank of England and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York should work in collaboration to prevent a "bull" drive on the pound or a "bear" drive on the dollar. The "peg" on the exchange must be put back.

War on the Starched Front.

Women have wondered for years how long strong men are going to cower before the tyranny of the elusive collar stud. And the starched stiffness that goes with collar studs. Women lately have accompanied the male human into many of his hitherto exclusive pursuits but not the pursuit of the collar stud as it rolls under some heavy piece of furniture and lies, elusive and obstinate, in a triumphant and baffling silence, metaphorically smiling at futile ferocity. Now however, the war, often sporadic and halting which has been waged stiffly at times upon the collar stud and its concomitant shackles has been renewed in earnest. The Men's Dress Reform Party is beginning its spring campaign in England against conservatism in male dress. Dr. A. C. Jordan, general secretary of the party, says men's modern dress must be brought up to modern aesthetic and hygienic standards, declaring that it has not been changed for a hundred years. The men of parties on country rambles are to wear thin open-necked shirts and shorts, sandals or shoes, and carry pullovers in case of need. "We want to get rid of the collar stud and free men's necks," says Dr. Jordan. Men's dress reformers have opened war on a wide front—a starched front and a collar-studded front. May it be found that a soft shirt turneth away wrath. As in England so in Hongkong. The men of the Colony are growing more and more into the habit of considering comfort before what is "strictly correct," though even now the appearance of, say, a bank clerk in the office dressed in an open shirt would possibly create a vacancy in the managerial chair.

A woman, Au Yung, 30, was rescued from the harbour near the No. 1 Barge, and sent to the Kowloon Hospital in an exhausted condition last night. It is thought that she had either fallen or had thrown herself from a Star Ferry launch.

DAY BY DAY

THE DEEPEST ROOT OF MORAL DISORDER LIES IN AN IMMEDIATE EXPECTATION OF HAPPINESS—
Morley.

The P. and O. s.s. Corfu, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by Hongkong against arrivals from Amoy on account of small-pox have been removed.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Stacy Pierce Harris, of the U.S.S. Mindanao, to Miss Matsuno Hayashi, No. 37, Morrison Hill Road.

Severely scalded by an escape of steam in the engine room of the s.s. Hiroshi Maru, Li Foo, a fireman, was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital last night.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel attended the 7.15 showing of the British film, "Sunshine Susie," at the King's Theatre last evening. There was again a packed house.

As announced at yesterday's dinner, next week's Rotary Club dinner will take place on the President Hoover. The speaker will be Mr. A. M. Bowes Smith, whose subject will be "These Billion Brokers."

Invitations have been issued by the Chief Petty Officer and the Petty Officers of H.M.S. Cumberland for a dinner dance (the last of the season) at the Garrison Lecture Hall, Friday, April 15, beginning at 8.30 p.m.

Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd., advertise that the thirty-first ordinary general meeting of shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road Central, on Thursday, April 21, at 11.30 a.m.

It was reported by the police this morning that a young married woman, named Leung Kit-hing, living at 11, Gough Street, attempted suicide by taking Phosphorus tablets. She was removed yesterday to the Government Civil Hospital.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the week ended April 2 shows the following cases of infectious diseases and the deaths therefrom: small-pox, nine cases and eight deaths; diphtheria, four cases; enteric fever, two cases, three deaths; cerebrospinal fever 13 cases, and one death; and pulmonary tuberculosis, 45 deaths. Two cases of small-pox, one of diphtheria, five of enteric fever and one of cerebrospinal fever were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Monday.

All sections of H. M. services were represented at an enjoyable whist drive, organised by the European Y.M.C.A., assisted by the Women's Guild of Kowloon Union Church, which was held in the new lounge of the Y.M.C.A. on Monday night. Prizes were donated by Messrs. C. L. Bernand and Son and Messrs. Lane-Crawford, and they were distributed by Mrs. E. L. Allen. The function, which was organised for the benefit of the services, was highly successful, and play was kept and friendly.

Georges Artur de Hour de Pastree, 48, described as a motor engineer, living at 22, Yick Tan Street, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistrate's this morning, charged with possession of an automatic pistol and entering the Colony without a proper passport. De Pastree pleaded that the automatic was useless, as it could not be worked. The case was remanded until Monday morning, on an application by Mr. D'Almada e Castro, bail being allowed in the amount of \$400, a surety being optional.



"They'll be back in about two hours and want to know if the dog got impudent."

EDGAR WALLACE AS
I KNEW HIM.

By "AN OLD STAGER."

FLEET Street has lost its Super-man. His requiem has been chanted to the obligato of the roaring printing presses. Newspaper people are not given to wearing either their hearts or crapes bands on their sleeves. But the working rank and file of journalism, the veterans who graduated in the Street of Adventure before the war, mourn sincerely for Edgar Wallace.

For them his passing is incomparably a heavier blow than was the death of Lord Northcliffe. The latter was a remote figure, a newspaper Brnns Hat with a paucity of buttons. Edgar Wallace carried his pack in the ranks, and, out of earshot of the red-tailed staff, laughed with the rest of us at the mighty Napoleons. We may never again have, in the New Grub Street that is already old and faded, such a picturesque, debonair adventurer.

Edgar Wallace never knew his parents. A Cockney poor-law orphan, he was adopted by the warm-hearted wife of a Stepmother fish porter. His foster mother worked at a washub to eke out the humble earnings of an impoverished household. In his most high and palmy days, Edgar Wallace never ceased to remember, and never forgot to honour, that decent soul. He meant it when he said that the woman behind the washub was the real backbone of England.

After trying to earn a pittance in various ways, including selling papers outside the Press Club of which he was to become chairman and patron, Edgar Wallace enlisted in a line regiment, transferred to the R.A.M.C., and found himself rubbing shoulders with Table Mountain.

Just after Edgar Wallace had deserted his military career to try out his luck as a writer, the Boer War came along to give him his first real leg up. He turned war correspondent, and his vivid style, knowledge of Army ways, and still more the cool audacity and alert aplomb with which he bluffed the military censor and got his stories through to London, secured him a good job on Northcliffe's paper.

He was now fairly in the journalistic saddle, but still only a trooper of fortune in Fleet Street. He remained just a humdrum reporter, cheery, bright, resourceful, and hard up, till he struck oil in some degree with "Four Just Men." It was the best of all his books, but it was a despairing effort to sell a rejected short story by extending it.

A Household Word. No publisher would look at it, but the author's faith in his own handwriting made him somehow manage to publish it at his own expense. It made his name, and laid the trail for his subsequent fortune, but the profits were nothing net. He spent too much on printing and advertising.

But now, suddenly as by the rubbing of Aladdin's lamp, the Fleet Street maid-o-all work found himself on the high road to fame and fortune. There is no need to recapitulate the rest of the story. Henceforth Edgar Wallace was a name to conjure with on bookstalls and playbills. He supplied a war-charged world with the distracting thrills it missed when the guns ceased fire.

He must have made at least £200,000 by intensive dictaphone hustle. A marvellous metamorphosis from the washub days! But Edgar Wallace never changed a hair. He coined money like a conjurer. He

had a literary Midas touch. Two millions of his books sold in one year. His crooks plays made Marathon runs. In between whiles he turned out short stories, wrote newspaper articles, and ran racing columns. One journal paid him £10 a day for a single tip.

Yet Edgar Wallace survived the supreme test. A self-educated, self-made man, he withstood the corrosion of immense wealth and great celebrity. He remained just the same shrewd, cheery, debonair, good-hearted fellow that he had always been. Fortune might pamper, but she could not spoil him. His generosity was unostentatious and princely. His right hand never knew which of his pockets his left hand was robbing for somebody or something. Amongst innumerable gestures of quiet, spontaneous benevolence, the Fleet Street dogs over hard stiles.

His life was exalted. He smoked around a hundred cigarettes a day, always in a holder as long as a walking stick. His special weakness was an amazing jazz dressing jacket, but he needed that. Because his favourite plan was to get up after midnight, ring for the butler who was always on night duty against such emergencies, and, with tea or coffee as a stimulant, delve away in his crook treasury. Weird tales are told of how many novels he could dictate at once. He was a generous employer, but no shorthand-typist could stick the pace he set who was not equal to record. But the dictaphone was his net. Its sheer modernity and sleekness enticed his temperament. Cheeful Loser.

A born gambler, only the race-course was allowed to interrupt the bustling tenor of his literary way. But now and then he emerged from the hectic gold-getting to preside at a Press Club dinner or play a rubber of bridge in the club parlour. He had one day had the fancy to refurbish out of his own purse. I have often sat opposite that long cigarette-holder as partner in a hard-fought rubber. Edgar Wallace was not a front rank player, and had an incurable habit of overcalling his hand rather than let a rubber go. He could not stand knocking down even at cards. But what a gracefully cheerful loser he could be!

That was his philosophy of life. He meant what he frankly said in his biography—lean adventure had greater charms for him than settled affluence. He sometimes sighed for the savoury hush of his old Fleet Street days. I fancy he found more zest at the *café au lait* counter than at the Savoy or the Ritz. Society last was Edgar Wallace's sloven. Goshawks and an umbrella, in their metaphorical entente, had no place in the equipment of one who had sometimes walked home from Kempton Park because he had lost every cent, and other times brought back £200 instead of a solitary fiver. He once coaxed bailiffs into a game of poker that enabled him to settle his bill and left enough over for a new overcoat.

Yet, except in tobacco and work and betting, he was a strictly sober and even abstemious citizen. He drank next to nothing except a very occasional glass of champagne.

A Jovial Cynic.

Well, he has run his race. When the Angel of that darker drink Old Omar talks about drew up to him, I am sure Edgar Wallace never shrank.

He never wanted to go to Hollywood. He did not like Americans and hated the whole aura of the film metropolis. Megaphone pretension was never much in Edgar Wallace's line. I suspect the treacherous chills of Los Angeles, the climate of which has been as grossly puffed as everything else about it, caught him in some furious night vigil of film work. Old soldiers are tough, but old journalists are not. His was not the build or habit of life to withstand double pneumonia following influenza. Fleet Street's brave knight-errant has gone. We might have better spared a greater literary light. He turned out novels and plays as some men manufacture jam or candles, occasionally, in the carelessness of haste, mixing his characters a bit or varying his hero's Park Lane address. But his personality was richer than half-a-dozen of the highbrow literary geniuses who laughed at Edgar while log-rolling themselves.

He was a queer mixture. Part schoolboy, part racecourse sharp, sentimentalist, but humanitarian through and through. His blue eyes, of the kind usually associated with aluminium blondes, gazed on the world, its cities and men, with genial, humorous, derision, but warm-hearted sympathy. He had no illusions, though he tried to convert Blackpool Nonconformists to seaside casinos, and no rancours, though he regarded professional politicians as a shade worse than threecard tricksters. A jovial cynic, who yet bravely sought the golden end of the rainbow, he resembled Kipling's hero. "E liked it all."

OUR HONGKONG WOMEN.

SHARP REPLIES TO "HOMO" GAZE INTO A CRYSTAL: NEEDS PITY NOT CRITICISM.

Sir,—Some of the correspondence in your paper on the subject of "Hongkong Women" appeals to me as highly humorous. "Homo," the Hongkong Gentleman(?) should attend a Mental Specialist to determine whether his brain is being attacked.

As to the "Arts of Seduction," if "Homo" is true to his conscience and, to quote his words (with apologies to Rudyard Kipling), "I've taken my fun where I've found it," has really and truly only spent the happiest (?) days of his life "alone with men where yonder the wide horizon lies," he is probably trying to create the impression that "the function for which she was given life" is a totally unknown factor in his life. As for the "flagrant renunciation" which he accuses Hongkong women of, well, has he not stopped to think that women have every right in the world for this "flagrant renunciation" since this function is the sole right of chosen partners in life and as marriages are supposed to be made in heaven, then love alone (not infatuation) should most decidedly be the governing factor.

However, in spite of his comments, my reading in the columns gives me a picture of dear "Homo" as follows, and the crystal says:

A gentleman(?) now in his forties—probably thrown out of his childhood's home by a stern father for being an unmanageable youth—married to a very young girl while in his twenties, brought her out East away from friends and home, left her to lead a lonely life while he enjoyed his evenings with plenty of drinks and maybe some fair lady friends. Later no money left from his salary to bring home to wife, and as she cannot live on air, she decides to terminate the marriage contract after slaving under it for a year or so. He finds another companion (most certainly not of his own nationality as what European woman would put up with "Homo's" type?) and even she decides that he is not so wonderful after all, and when forgiveness from a woman is no more to be enjoyed, in the hopes of obtaining undeserved sympathy from the general public, he decides to write to the Press, fruitful remarks about the opposite sex, quite forgetful of the fact that his mother, possibly a

sister, and last but not least, probably a daughter, are of the female sex. As a mother should be the very dearest possession to the heart of a man, I, in my opinion, most certainly feel that he should at least write respectfully of our sex if he has to write at all, or else, "for ever after hold his peace."

Very fortunately, however, the men of "Homo's" type are few and far between, but if "estimable creatures" cannot be met by them among our sex, then I certainly would advise them to go where "yonder the wide horizon lies" and stay there to enjoy the "contented mind" where "Homo" has spent the "happiest days of his life."

"ANNABELLE."

Sir, I have read the correspondence started by "Homo" in your columns with interest, and should like to add my few words.

"Homo" speaks in a decidedly crude manner of women in general, and Hongkong women in particular. I should like to tell him that all women are not like those whom he has apparently met here. Neither are all Hongkong women "gold-diggers." It is hardly fair of him to judge all people by those he has met. If his social circles bring him into contact with the type of woman he mentions, then I think it is pity and not criticism that he needs. If he is absolutely unable to make the acquaintance of any women of higher ideals than those he mentions, then I think it must be his personality that is at fault. I note that he does not wish to disclose his name. I, too, refrain from disclosing mine, simply because this is a small colony where we hear so much about our neighbours without knowing them personally and we are apt to judge by what others say, and in a correspondence of this nature we do not want the personal element and personal prejudices.

I think if "Homo" is wise he will close the correspondence rather than defend himself in a weak manner and try to cover his weakness with the use of high-sounding words and phrases. They do not strengthen his arguments. "PUSSY."

Grapes, however sour, when out of each seem sweet; 'Tis possession brings the bitterness, disillusion and sorrow. CHURCHES LES FEMMES.

MEXICAN SEAMAN NOT WANTED.

EXPULSION ORDER MADE.

Ramon Mendoza, a Mexican, seaman, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy to-day, charged with being a vagrant.

For the police, Mr. J. H. V. Booth stated that the man arrived here on a German ship, possessing what was undoubtedly a certificate of identity enabling him to land in Bristol in June, 1931. It lacked a visa and was open to question having regard to the fact that the Hongkong Ordinance made no mention of the requirement. In any case, the presence of the man was not desired in the Colony, as it appeared that he was without legitimate means of subsistence.

Mendoza mentioned that he had been told by the United States Consulate that a job might be given him on a Dollar steamer.

Mr. Booth stated that all the police were asking for was an expulsion order.

INDIA OUTLOOK IMPROVES.

PICKETING PLAN INEFFECTUAL.

London, Apr. 5. Reviewing the Indian political situation, Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, in a House of Commons statement to-day, said the general situation had continued during the past fortnight, and convictions in connexion with the civil disobedience movement show a decline in the North-West Provinces, Bihar and Orissa, and the Central Provinces.

In the Punjab, attempts by the Ahirars to revive picketing at Amritsar are proving ineffectual. On the frontier, the situation in Bajaur continues to improve, but there are signs of communal tension in certain areas.

Sir Samuel Hoare added that in the Legislative Assembly in motion against pressing on with constitutional reforms while Grandhi is in gaol was defeated without a division.—British Wire-Press.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

Rates were further marked up this morning, and fair all round enquiries are in evidence.

Sales.
Hongkong Banks \$1500.
Rubs \$375.
Providents (Old) \$485.
Hongkong Realty \$1030.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 143.
Hongkong Ropes \$724.734.
Watsons (Rights) \$912.360.
Govt. Loans 1 1/2% Premium.

Buyers.
Hongkong Banks \$1500.
Bank of East Asia \$114.
Bengals \$1235.
Rubs \$274.
Wharves \$141.
Docks \$22.
Providents (Old) \$485.
Providents (New) \$24.
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$1335.
Hotels (Rights) \$250.
Hongkong Lands \$774.
Hongkong Realty \$11.
Chinese Estates \$95.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 1470.
Hongkong Trams \$214.
Star Ferries \$91.
Hongkong Electric \$721.
Telephones (P.P.) \$2375.
Cements (Combined) \$1845.
Watsons (Cum. Rights) \$153.
Watsons (Rights) \$912.
Amusements \$21.
Constructions (New) \$185 ex div.
Govt. Loans 3 1/2% Premium.

Sellers.
Malabar Sugars \$21.
South China Enterprises \$10.

FANLING GOLF.

CAPTAIN'S CUP QUALIFIERS OVER WEEK-END.

In the Captain's Cup competition over the week-end J. Mandracchia and A. C. Gould qualified. Mandracchia who was the successful competitor over the old course had a score of 72, being 90 minus his handicap of 18. On the new course Gould qualified with a score of 77, being 92 minus 15.

Consequent on a tumble into the harbour from the Central Ferry wall yesterday, a small Chinese boy was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of the experience.

THE AUTOMATIC PHONE.

USE OF THE DIAL SWITCH. ROTARY TALK.

An interesting address on "The Dial Switch in Automatic Telephony" was given by Rotarian J. P. Sherry, at yesterday's meeting of the Rotary Club, which was held in Messrs. Lane Crawford's restaurant, under the Chairmanship of Sir William Hornell.

Rotarian Sherry said:—There are innumerable subjects under the main heading of telephony on which one could speak but the difficulty is in choosing one which will permit of non-technical treatment and at the same time, retain its interest.

In selecting the dial switch for my talk to-day, I had in mind that it is, perhaps, the only part of the automatic equipment with which the average telephone user comes into contact, and it occurred to me that, as all Rotarians here are undoubtedly telephone users, it might be both interesting and useful if I could convey to them some knowledge of the operation of the dial switch and its function in positioning the various selector switches in the automatic exchange during the establishment of a connexion.

With this end in view, I have had a number of dial switches distributed amongst the various tables so that my remarks will be more easily followed.

The dial switch is, perhaps, the simplest of the many pieces of equipment which go to the making of a complete automatic unit but, in its present form, it represents the outcome of much research work on the part of telephone engineers to design a dial which could be manufactured at a reasonable cost and, at the same time, combine with this the qualities of accuracy and reliability in operation. Laboratory tests have demonstrated that the average dial switch is capable of performing upwards of 5,000,000 operations without failure.

The B.E.S.A. definition of an automatic telephone system is "A system in which the calling party is enabled without the aid of an operator to complete a call through switches remotely controlled."

It follows, therefore, that means must be provided on the telephone instruments to effect this remote control and it will be apparent that the correct functioning of the automatic system is directly dependent on the dial switch which transmits the impulses to the exchange equipment.

How Dial Works.

The main parts of the dial, which can be seen on inspection, consist of the finger plate which winds up a clock spring on being pulled round; the number plate; the impulse wheel; the governor which controls the speed of the dial; and two sets of spring contacts. The smaller set consists of the impulse springs and the larger is required for ensuring the correct electrical association of the impulsing contacts with the remainder of the telephone circuit so as to eliminate objectionable "clicks" in the receiver during dialling, and to arrange the available apparatus in the telephone circuit so that the best impulse form is transmitted.

In effect, the receiver and transmitter are short-circuited and a condenser—which is fitted in the telephone for another purpose—is temporarily connected across the impulse contacts to prevent the induced voltage reaching a sufficiently high figure to break down the insulation.

When the front circular plate with the 10 finger holes is rotated in a clockwise direction until the finger-stop is reached, it winds up a clock spring so that, when the finger is withdrawn from the finger hole, the plate returns to its normal position under the control of the speed governor. During the return of the plate, the impulse springs open and close a number of times equal to the decimal value of the digit dialled, so that if say, the digit "6" is dialled, 5 impulses are transmitted.

Looking at the back of the dial you will observe a slipping cam, with a long projecting piece, which is held in intimate contact with the impulse wheel—the latter being the toothed wheel underneath and moves with it on rotation of the finger plate until it encounters the forked stop. When the finger plate is released the cam returns with the impulse wheel and until it resumes its normal position it screens the teeth of the wheel so that until this position is reached no impulses can be transmitted.

This delays the transmission of impulses for a period approximately equal to that of two impulses, and is necessary in order to ensure that the switches in the exchange will be ready to receive the impulses transmitted.

The relationship between the make and break periods of an impulse—that is to say, the periods during which the impulse contacts are closed and opened—is important, because the magnet responsible for operating the mechanical shaft on the switch in the exchange receives current during the break portion of an impulse, whereas another piece of the

electro-magnetic equipment receives current during the make period.

If the break portion is shortened the current will be prevented from rising to its full value and, if the make period is unduly shortened, the piece of apparatus which depends on the current transmitted during this period for its continued operation will release. In either case, the connexion would not be satisfactorily established.

Make and Break Periods. The effects of the condition of the line connecting the telephone with the exchange also result in distortion of the impulse form and, in order to allow for reasonable variations in the make and break periods, a standard ratio of break to make for impulses has been laid down. This specifies that an impulse shall have a break to make ratio of 66.6 per cent. to 33.3 per cent. of the impulse period, the normal speed of delivery of impulses being specified as 10 per second.

Thus, at standard speed, a single impulse occupies 1/10th of a second of which 2/3rds is occupied by the break and 1/3rd by the make. This ensures the satisfactory operation of the exchange switches even under adverse line conditions. It will be noticed that the cypher has been placed after the figure "9" on the number plate because, when the figure "0" is dialled, ten impulses are transmitted. This is to enable uniformity to be observed between the number of impulses sent and the number of steps taken by the apparatus which they control, thus tending to simplification.

Call Described.

I will now describe briefly what happens during the setting up of a call.

On lifting the telephone receiver, and before dialling commences, an electro-magnet termed a "relay," is operated which, in turn, actuates a self-driving switch individual to each telephone number. This switch rotates, or as it is termed "hunts," at a speed of 60 steps per second over a set of 25 contacts and comes to rest on the first one which is disengaged. When this occurs the calling line is then connected to what is termed a first selector which receives the impulses from the first digit dialled.

It should be appreciated here that this happens in the brief space that elapses between the time the receiver is taken off the rest and placed to the ear and before dialling is commenced. Dialling tone will now have been heard by the caller who proceeds to dial the first digit. The selector, responding to the impulses transmitted, steps its connecting brushes, attached to the mechanical shaft, to the level of contacts corresponding to the number dialled. For example, if "2" is dialled, two vertical steps are taken and at the end of the second step the brushes are automatically rotated to "hunt" for a disengaged connexion or "link" to the second rank of selectors which accept the second figure dialled.

Last Motion Explained.

This automatic rotary operation explains the necessity for the delay or last motion period—to which I previously referred when explaining the function of the slipping cam on the dial—as it will be recalled that the brushes must "hunt" over the selector bank contacts and select a disengaged outlet to the succeeding rank of switches before the caller dials the next digit, as otherwise the impulses would be lost.

In addition to the delay period of 200 milli-seconds furnished by the dial, there is also the personal pause between the dialling of each digit and the time taken to pull the dial round to the finger-stop, in which connection it will be recalled that the dial transmits the impulses on returning to normal under the tension of the clock spring.

Similarly, a third selector is brought into service to take the third figure and the caller is then through to the particular "hundreds" group which contains the required number or, in other words, is connected to what is called a final selector. The latter accepts the "tens" digit stepping the brushes up vertically as already described, but there is no automatic rotary feature as a particular line must be selected in this case. Consequently it waits for the "units" digit and, on receipt, it rotates the brushes a number of steps equal to the figure dialled.

Testing Feature. The brushes are now on the required line but this may be engaged so the switch must discriminate by bringing into operation a testing feature. If the line is engaged it transmits "busy" tone to the caller and does not in any way interfere with the connexion which has already been established. If disengaged, it connects ringing current to the called line to ring the telephone bell and, when the called party answers, it cuts off the ringing and switches the connexion through to the calling party after having registered one call on the meter of the latter's line. It also supplies talking current to both parties and provides for the operation of certain alarms in the event of irregularities.

The connexion is now established and the five switches just described remain operated during the whole of the call and are held by the final selector which, in turn, is controlled by the calling party. On the latter restoring his receiver, the final selector releases and, in turn, releases all the preceding switches which are then immediately available for further calls.

RADIO BROADCAST

A TALK BY DR. RADIO TO-NIGHT.

By Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (845 K.C.S.).
8.00-9.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
9.00-9.30 p.m. Children's Programme.

7.00-10.30 p.m.
European Programme of Columbia and Regal Records.

7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.
7.03-7.30 p.m.
Band and Orchestra Selections.

On the Quarter Deck (Alford).
Ellesmere (Grace).
Reg. Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards. 744R.

Four Indian Love Lyrics (Woodford-Finden).
Union Symphony Orchestra. 597R.
Morning, Noon and Night-Overture (Von Suppe).

National Military Band. 9013R.
8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).
7.30-8.25 p.m. Variety.

Song-You Try Somebody Else. DB734.
Kate Smith (Comedienne). DB734.
Organ Solo-Parade of the Weddings. DB741.
Terrence Casey. DB741.
Humorous Song-Grandma's Days and Nowadays.

Norman Long. DB738.
Orchestral-Bow Bells-Selection.
Jack Payne and His B. C. Dance Orchestra. DB735.

Vocal Duet-The Longer You Linger in Virginia.
Layton and Johnstone. DB739.
Xylophone Solo-When the Circus Comes to Town.

Rudy Starita. DB742.
Humorous Song-Resolutions for 1932.
Norman Long. DB712.
Orchestral-Hold my Hand-Selection.

Jack Payne and His B. C. Dance Orchestra. DB707.
Guitar Solo-In "A".
Len Fillis. DB723.

Orchestral-Helen-Selection.
Charles Prentice and His Orch. DX330.
8.25-8.50 p.m. Operatic.

Orchestral-The Barber of Seville-Overture (Rossini).
Percy Pitt conducting the B. B. C. Wireless Symphony Orch. 9166.

Chorus-The Student Prince-Drinking Song (Donnelly and Romberg).
Raymond Marlowe, Paul Clemen, Olaf Olson and Chorus.

Chorus-The Student Prince-Serenade (Donnelly and Romberg).
Allan Prior, Raymond Marlowe, Paul Clemen, Olaf Olson and Chorus. 9083.

Orchestral-Carmen-Selection (Bizet).
Percy Pitt conducting the B. B. C. Wireless Symphony Orch. 9125.

8.50-9.15 p.m. Instrumental.
Piano Solo-Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 12 (Liszt).
William Murdoch. 9282.

Violin Solo-Bourree (Sammons).
Albert Sammons. 9484.
Piano Solo-Prelude in B Flat (Rachmaninoff).

Piano Solo-Polichinelle (Rachmaninoff).
Left Poushnoff. 9366.

Violin Solo-Elegie (Massenet).
Albert Sammons. 9415.

9.15-10.30 p.m. Dance Music.
Fox Trot-You'll Be Sorry.
Fox Trot-Sweet Summer Breeze. CB404.

Fox Trot-Fiesta.
Fox Trot-By My Side. CB288.
Fox Trot-Just a Blue-Eyed Blonde.

Fox Trot-Lies. CB411.
Waltz-Merry Widow Waltz.
Waltz-The Waltz Dream. MR225.

Fox Trot-You're the Kind of a Baby For Me.
Fox Trot-All My Love. CB403.
Fox Trot-For the Love of Mike.

Got a Date with an Angel.
Fox Trot-For the Love of Mike.
Who do You Love? CB363.

Fox Trot-My Song.
Fox Trot-That's Why Darkies Were Born. CB390.

Waltz-You're my Only Sweetheart.
Fox Trot-When It's Sleepy Time Down South. 2541-D.

Fox Trot-Dancing in the Dark.
Fox Trot-Have You Forgotten? CB407.
Fox Trot-Action-Speak Louder Than Words.

Fox Trot-Home. CB409.
Fox Trot-Thank Your Father.
Waltz-I'll Always Be True. MR373.

9.30-9.40 p.m.
A Talk by Dr. Radio of the Radio Society Station.

10.30 p.m.
Rugby Mid-day Press News.
10.30 p.m. Close Down.

All records in the above European programmes are kindly supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	Previous Day.	Yesterday.
Paris	95.7/16	95 1/2
Geneva	19.50	19.42 1/2
Berlin	16	15.90
Oslo	19.1/16	19.1/16
Helsingfors	215	215
Athens	295	300
Buenos Aires	374	374 1/2
Shanghai	1/8 1/2	1/8 1/2
New York	3.80	3.77 1/2
Amsterdam	0.37 1/2	0.31 1/2
Vienna	32	32
Madrid	40 1/2	60
Bucharest	635	630
Hongkong	1/3 5/16	1/3 3/16
Brussels	27.10	26.95
Milan	73 1/2	73 1/2
Stockholm	18.9/16	18.9/16
Copenhagen	18.20	18.20
Prague	128 1/2	127 1/2
Lisbon	110	110
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KOWLOON PLAYER IN FINAL AGAIN.

Honda, the enigma, whose play in the earlier rounds suggested he was a spent force so far as championship honours were concerned, nearly sprang a surprise in the semi-final of the open tennis singles against E. C. Fincher yesterday, when he took the first set by means of some delightful all-court play. It was only Fincher's impregnable defence from the baseline which eventually reduced the sparkling attack of the Japanese to impotency, and left the Kowloon player with his first real chance of an effective offensive.

Honda played the best tennis of the whole match in the opening stages, leaving Fincher bewildered with his forcing drives which passed the net attacker every time he came up. So successful was he in this phase that he caused Fincher to abandon his pet form of attack halfway through the first set, and to retire to the rear of the court from where he gradually asserted his superiority.

After his debacle in the initial stanza, Fincher pulled himself together, but he never really asserted the dominance which Honda had enjoyed. His cut, chop, and slice strokes worried Honda in making errors, but it was only very occasionally that he was beaten outright. One surprising feature of the game was Honda's volleying which very nearly equalled that of Fincher. It was therefore rather curious to find the Japanese outplayed on ground stroke rallies, for it is from the baseline that Honda has hitherto always reaped his successes.

Stamina played an important part in the contest, and was a tremendous advantage to Fincher, who lasted the game far better, and to all appearances was capable of a further three sets, if necessary. On the other hand, Honda was, in this respect, a beaten man after the second set, and although he continued to drive magnificently until the end, his covering of the court became slower and slower, and Fincher had only to place his shots with accuracy to make certain of points.

Two features of the match were Honda's efforts to sweep his opponent off the court, which were partially successful, and Fincher's imperturbability and patience in an entirely unexpected position. Judged solely on the strokes produced, the tennis did not reach the high class one would have desired, but the interest was maintained at fever pitch by the clever tactical moves of the players and their clash in styles.

The complete results of yesterday's programme were:

Open Singles.
(Semi-final).
E. C. Fincher beat T. Honda, 2-6, 6-2, 6-3.

Open Doubles.
M. W. and M. E. Lo beat Segalen and Walsham, 6-2, 6-3.

Club Championship.
A. L. Sullivan beat G. W. A. Tifton, 6-1, 7-5.

Handicap Doubles.
Lampard and Clarke beat Humphreys and Baker, 7-5, 6-4.

Hyde and Turner beat Bowker and Gordon, 6-4, 4-6, 7-5.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.
Open Doubles.
(Semi-final).
S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn v. Lo Brothers.

Club Championship.
(Semi-final).
R. M. Henderson v. Goldman.

Handicap Singles "A." J. Price, Harkins or Barton v. T. J. Price.

Handicap Singles "B." Clarabut or Clarke v. Wilson.

Handicap Doubles.
S. E. and D. S. Green v. Hyde and Turner or Bowker and Gordon.

Handicap Mixed Doubles.
Hancock and Miss Hancock v. Col. and Mrs. Lecky.

LADIES' GOLF.

SHANGHAI FOURSOME COMPETITION.

The Shanghai Foursome Competition, played over the New Course, Fanling, yesterday, was won by Mrs. D. G. Lambert and Mrs. R. E. Tottenham with the score of 85-11-74. Other scores were: Mrs. C. B. Brown & Miss Stevenson, 94-17-77. Mrs. A. B. Stewart & Mrs. P. S. Cassidy, 91-12-79. Miss Robinson & Miss Wilson, 100-21-79.

COMING SHORTLY TO THE QUEEN'S.



CINEMA SCREENINGS.

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE THEATRES.

Rosita Moreno, Spanish dancer, singer and actress, made her debut in an English talking production, when Paramount began recording of Hal. G. Evarts' novel, "Spanish Acres." She appears opposite Richard Arlen in this romance of the West, which is coming tomorrow to the King's Theatre, titled "The Santa Fe Trail."

Since being signed to a contract by Paramount, Miss Moreno has played the female lead with Adolphe Menjou in "Amor Audaz," the Spanish talking production of "Slightly Scented," which also appeared in the Spanish production of "Paramount On Parade" and with Nino Martini made a singing-dancing short subject.

The Spanish actress has the role of a Senorita whose father owns a huge tract of New Mexican land known as Spanish Acres. Others in the cast of this adaptation of Evarts' best-selling novel, include Eugene Pallette, Mitzzi Green and Junior Durkin. The production will be directed by Otto Brower and Edwin H. Knopf, co-directors of "The Light of Western Stars" and "The Border Legion."

Miss Moreno, who was born in Madrid, Spain, was signed by Paramount as a result of her vaudeville career. After making her debut as a Castilian dancer in Buenos Aires 1918, she danced in all of the important cities of Italian America and went to America in 1925 to appear in a vaudeville dancing act with Harry Delf. For several seasons, she was a vaudeville headliner in her own act, appearing under the name of "Rosita." She was signed to a contract by Paramount in New York while appearing in the Shubert production, "Pleasure Bound." She speaks English fluently.

"Behind Office Doors."

By what right does a wife step into a man's office and discharge his secretary?

Does the fact that the girl is sympathetic and pretty constitute a menace to the wife's domestic happiness?

This is the subject that has bothered married women for years and has made her increasingly jealous of the hours her husband must necessarily spend with his private secretary.

The screen has at last solved this hitherto unsolvable "peril to the home" in an entertaining drama which is coming to-morrow to the Queen's Theatre, Radio Pictures, "Behind Office Doors," which co-stars Mary Astor and Robert Ames.

In this unusual film of office romance, a private secretary is discharged primarily because of her good looks and because her boss finds her jealous. In discharging this girl did the fiancee overstep her rights? Was she carrying her jealousy too far? "Behind Office Doors" clears up this problem to the satisfaction of all wives and fiancées and to the relief of husbands-to-be who have a private secretary problem all their own.

In addition to Miss Astor and Ames, "Behind Office Doors" boasts a cast of unusually talented players, including Ricardo Cortez, Catherine Dale Owen and Edna Murphy.

"Sunshine Susie"

Filmgoers—and possibly theatre-lovers, too—are destined to hear and see more of a dazzling continental blonde, who is hailed by those competent to express an opinion, as another Marlene Dietrich.

Fraulein Renate Muller, the newest of theatrical "finds" has come to the British screen after a notable career on the Berlin stage, where she has appeared in plays so diverse as Rostand's, "L'Aiglon" and "The Garden of Eden."

Born in Munich, she started film work five years ago, and has made five pictures for Ufa, and played opposite Emil Jannings. This loveliest of Continental blondes displays her poise, personality and delightful voice in "Sunshine Susie," which is now showing at the King's Theatre, a musical comedy film in the Viennese manner, which has had an enormous vogue in Germany under its original title of "The Private Secretary."

Victor Saville produced the film for Gaumont-British Pictures.

In this airy and tuneful production, Miss Muller plays opposite Jack Hulbert and Owen Nares in a story which is set in the Austrian capital, and which introduces into a narrative of commercial life some of the liveliest, snuggest and most tuneful of episodes. It seems quite likely that the lovely star of "Sunshine Susie" is destined to enjoy a tremendous following here, and it is fairly certain that her "Happy Song" is going to be one of the musical hits of the season.

Very possibly our visitor, who is to appear in several pictures, is to make an appearance on the West End stage during the present year.

"Palmy Days"

Girls with brunette hair are becoming extinct in Hollywood, the latest figures showing a proportion of three to one in favour of the blondes among film extras.

And the reason is that the ladies of the hopeful mob have discovered that with the new light for the talkies peroxide hair stands out on the screen and enables them to steal scenes. So many blondes have recently won contracts that the word has gone round, and the rush to the corner drug store is on.

At the present rate of change the brunette is fast fading from the picture. When the talkies came in about three years ago the dark-tressed extras led by virtually the same three to one percentage that now favours the blondes.

The statistics on which these averages are based were taken from a chart prepared by Busby Berkeley, of Samuel Goldwyn's film force, on the fifty girls appearing in Eddie Cantor's new comedy, "Palmy Days," which comes to the King's Theatre next Sunday.

The fifty girls, in turn, were selected as the most beautiful among some 6,000 applicants for the new Cantor film. Berkeley's chart shows that



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Camera-men explain that women with dark hair are more difficult to photograph. Hence the rush of the extra girls toward lighters shades.

"Secret Six."

Actors appear in roles far different from the characterizations in which people know them best in "The Secret Six," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayor's sensational drama of municipal politics and the underworld, which is showing to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

For instance, who would imagine Wallace Beery, best known in garb such as he wore in "The Big House" and "Min and Bill," appearing in "useless evening clothes as the most fastidious of fastidious dressers? But he does—and wears them as to the manner born!

Then again, the usually debonaire Lewis Stone forsakes the tailored garments that have made him one of the best dressed men on the screen, and appears as a broken-down lawyer with a three days' growth of beard, ragged and unkempt, and apparently on the verge of acute alcoholism—a clever piece of acting, considering that he is a teetotaler.

Paul Hurst, the comedian, fairly oozes menace as the villainous Gougher, and Fletcher Norton, well known on the stage as a dancer, appears as a cringing minion of a gangster chief.

There are many former vaudevillians in the picture, all playing villain roles, though they did comedy on the stage. Tow Hawn, star of "Pat and the Gonzo," Ed Foster, of the old musical team of "Forster and Foster," and Clinton Lyle, of the comedy team of "Lyle and Amerson," are among them.

George Hill directed the new picture, a graphic expose of political secrets and machinations in big cities, and of the operations of the underworld. A notable cast includes John Mack Brown, Joan Harlow, Marjorie Rambeau, Clark Gable, Ralph Bellamy, John Miljan and De Witt Jennings.

"Sin Takes a Holiday"

The wide sweep of the action in "Sin Takes a Holiday" called for thirty-two settings in widely varying locales on both sides of the Atlantic,

and Pathe took full advantage of the opportunities afforded to make this Constance Bennett vehicle the last word in modern motion picture production.

The settings for this story written by Robert Milton and Dorothy Vining are representative of widely varied walks of life of two continents. In the early sequences, Miss Bennett is seen as a secretary who lives in drab surroundings. Then she finds herself possessed of money, leisure and a ticket to Paris and a lot of marital problems.

Twenty-five thousand yards of specially prepared sound absorbing fabric, one of the largest shipments of this type to reach a motion picture plant, were used in the construction of the settings. With this new type of material employed throughout, there was not a harsh reverberation or echo in any of the thirty-two settings. All hard walls and surfaces were eliminated or so protected that they absorbed, rather than reflected, sound.

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Three distinct phases of architectural design and interior decorating modern, period and character—are represented in the settings. New

York is the locale of the opening scenes. The action then shifts to Paris and other fashion centres of Europe, with the closing scenes laid in New York.

Among the modernistic settings are the bachelor apartment of a wealthy New Yorker, the grand salon and first class stateroom of a new transatlantic liner, New York and Paris night clubs and seven Parisian shops. Considerable furniture was specially designed and constructed by studio experts for these modern scenes.

The period structure include a French villa of the Louis XVI era and a de luxe suite of the famous hotel Crillon. For them costly draperies were imported from France and they were completely furnished with authentic period pieces.

The home of a New England justice of the peace and the apartment of three New York working girls are among the character settings. In addition, a section of the ice rink at St. Moritz, famous Alpine resort and the stands and part of the track of a French automobile racing speedway were constructed.

"Sin Takes a Holiday," which is showing at the Central Theatre to-day, is one of twenty specials which Pathe will produce this season. Kenneth MacKenna, Basil Rathbone, Rita La Roy and Louis Bartels are featured in the leading roles. Paul L. Stein was the director.

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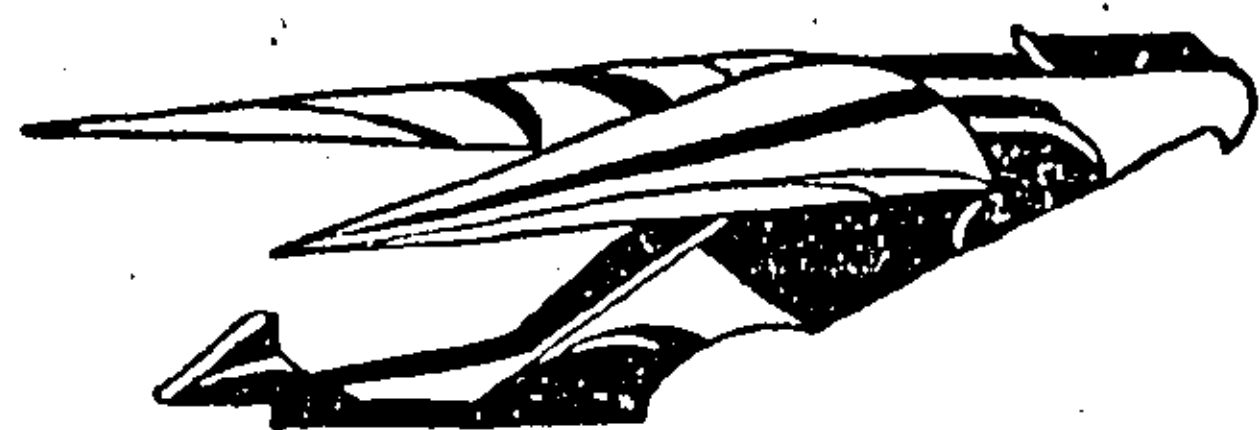
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**DR. HERKLOTS ON
LOCAL FLOWERS.**

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IN KOWLOON.

A most interesting talk on Hongkong flowers was given to members of the Kowloon Union Church Young People's Society (Senior Section) last night by Doctor G. A. C. Herklots, M.Sc., Ph. D. The speaker showed a number of lantern slides illustrating different species of Hongkong orchids, one of our strangest and rarest plants, mangrove swamp scenes, and different flowering shrubs common to the Colony's hillsides.

Dr. Herklots said: Doubtless many of those who have come here this evening think that it must be a very easy matter for me to give a talk on the wild flowers of the Colony. But the task is not quite as simple as it at first appears.

Three difficulties are particularly obvious. Firstly, the names of the flowers are neither familiar to us nor are they easy to remember, for though our local species have names, yet, for the most part, they possess only long double-barrelled Latin names with no simple English equivalents.

Secondly, the great majority of local plants do not grow in England and they have no familiar relatives with which they can be compared. The converse is equally true. European plants do not grow wild here in South China. The word *Melastoma* is no harder to remember than the word *Agave* but no *Melastomas* grow in England and no *Agaves* in Hongkong, and although *Melastoma* is very much commoner here than the anemone in England it is known to but few.

European and Local Plants.

This fact, of the very great difference between European plants and Hongkong plants, makes the preparation of a popular talk on local plants difficult. The third snag is that there are no popular books on our flowers to which I can refer you. There is the *Hongkong Naturalist*, which some of you I hope see, but it will be years before we have finished describing in that journal our familiar species.

Bearing these difficulties in mind I sincerely trust that you will forgive me if my lecture is scrappy and patchy, and appears to be without any continuous theme.

Because the local flowers are unfamiliar to us, and because shrubby plants are more abundant than herbaceous forms, many people think that this is a poor place for flowers. This is not true. Actually China is the richest country in the world for beautiful flowers, and many, very many indeed, of the flowers which grace our gardens and conservatories in Europe and America, have their origin in China.

Hongkong Rich in Species.

Hongkong is very rich in species, very much richer than any area in England of similar extent; in fact far richer than the whole of the United Kingdom, this may surprise many but is nevertheless true.

When we think of flowers in England we picture a few species in masses,—bluebells, cowslips, primroses, anemones, buttercups, daisies, and perhaps some dozen other common species which occur over great areas during the spring and summer months. Such masses of herbaceous plants are rarely found in the tropics and are much more characteristic of the temperate zones of the earth. If, instead of thinking of herbs we think of shrubs, then we at once perceive the fundamental difference between temperate and tropical vegetation. We think of hawthorn, blackthorn, privet, roses, crab apple, and guelder rose, but it would be difficult to name twenty kinds of flowering shrubs which in England may be found in bloom in masses.

Seasonal Differences.

Here, in Hongkong, I could easily make a list of 100 shrubs with attractive flowers. In England we associate the months of May and June in particular with the flowers of the countryside. In the tropics no one month possesses a monopoly of the flowers. True, in Hongkong, on the edge of the tropics, seasonal differences can be noticed, but even here, January and February, for example, are the months when some of our most beautiful species blossom.

These facts, that the plants are unfamiliar, that the names are difficult, that the flowering period is spread over the whole twelve months, have led to this quite incorrect belief that Hongkong is a poor place for flowers.

Two other factors have great significance. There is a very large population in Hongkong and Kowloon, equivalent almost to that of Leeds and Bradford added together. It is not, therefore, surprising that many of the most beautiful species are not to be found commonly within a hundred yards of our front door! The botanist must be willing to go afield, to leave the beaten track, to climb the slope and scale the precipice if he, or she, wishes to see the best of Hongkong's flora.

Weather Factor.

The other factor is that of temperature. Very few people here ever tramp the hillsides in May, June, July, and August, and even in April and September the number of walkers I meet on the mountains is very small. If, during half the year, people are not looking for flowers, it is not surprising to hear them say that they don't exist.

This introduction has been long but I wish to bring home to all, the problems and difficulties which confront the amateur botanist here in Hongkong.

When I came here, some three and a half years ago, I was amazed at the paucity of information available about our natural history. No one seemed to know or care anything about the varied forms of life that surrounded them. A few of us decided to tackle the more popular groups of animals and plants. Major Hutson tackled the birds, and largely as a result of his pioneer work, we know some 150 species from Hongkong.

SOVIET ROGEY.

FEARS FOR FAR EASTERN TERRITORY.

Riga, Apr. 5.
"Certain Imperialistic Powers" are scheming to wrest the Far Eastern territory from the Soviet, declared M. Molotov in a speech at Moscow, adding that it was vitally necessary to prepare against the Powers, who planned to create a White Guard buffer state as a stepping point for further attacks against the Soviet.—*Reuter*.

I amused myself in particular with the snakes and orchids, and of late with flowering shrubs. As a result, many of the slides which I am going to show, are those of local orchids of which we have now some 55 species under observation. I wish here to acknowledge the able assistance of Mr. V. H. C. Forrest and of Mr. Youngsaye, from whose negatives a number of these lantern slides have been prepared.

Lantern Slides.

The first 18 slides are of different species of Hongkong orchids, mostly common species which may be found on our hillsides and precipices. Then follow seven slides illustrating one of our strangest and rarest plants, the insect eating pitcher plant, *Nepenthes phyllamphora*. Eight photographs of mangrove swamp scenes follow. These illustrate the extraordinary method adopted by certain of the shrubs to propagate their species. The seed germinates on the tree and the seedling does not fall off until a root of six or more inches has been developed. When the seedling falls this root sticks in the mud, either below the parent tree, or is carried away by the tide to be washed up on a distant bank and become fixed there.

The last ten slides are of different flowering shrubs to be found commonly on our hillsides. They include the alien *Lantana* and of native species, *Uvaria*, *Rhodomyrtus*, *Roses*, *Rhododendron*, *Melastoma*, *Mussaenda*, and *Pavetta*.

In conclusion, may I ask all to support Mr. Green, the Superintendent of the Hongkong Botanic Gardens, in his difficult and often thankless task of protecting our flowering shrubs and plants from wanton gathering. If you see beautiful flowers don't pick them all and then throw them away by the roadside. Remember that other also like to see the beauties of nature. Several of our species are strictly protected, e.g., all the *Rhododendrons* (*Azaleas*), *Ixora chinensis*, and of orchids the bamboo orchid *Arundina chinensis*, and the butterfly orchid *Spathoglottis pubescens*.

At the conclusion of Dr. Herklots' very interesting exhibition of slides, a hearty vote of thanks was passed, on the proposition of Mr. E. J. Othen, seconded by Miss Wood.

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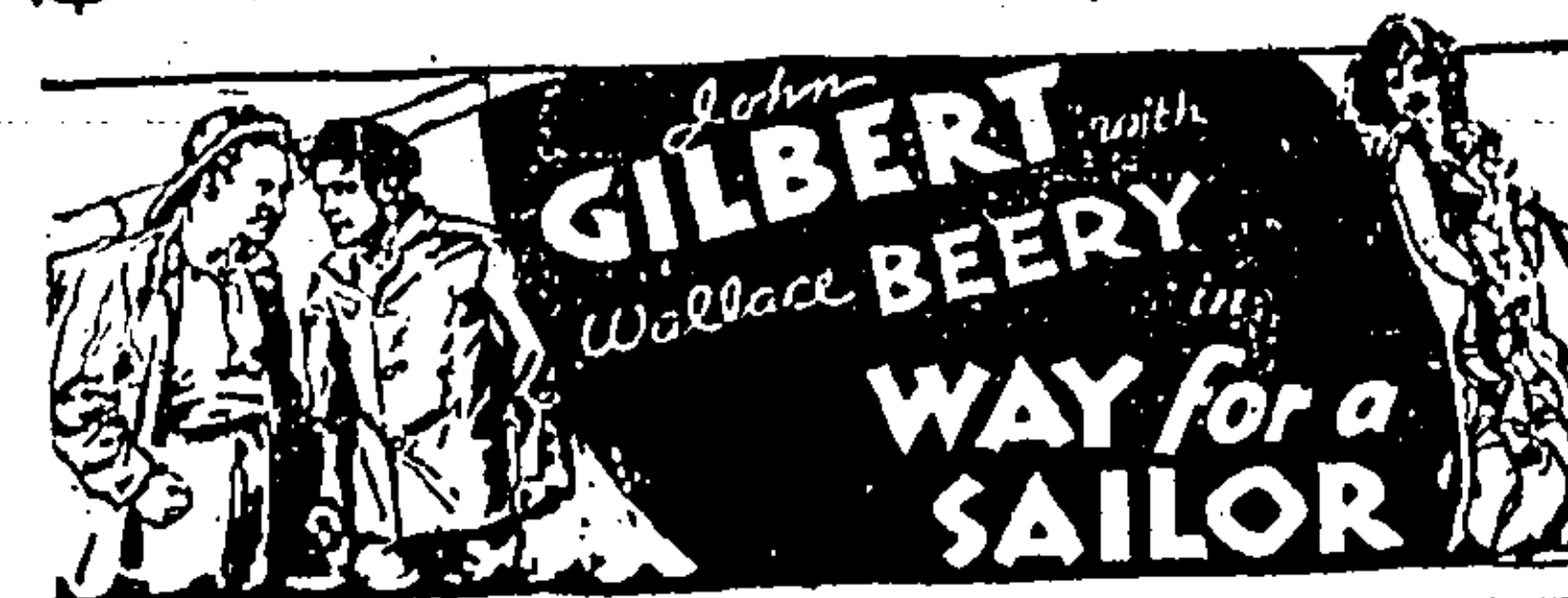
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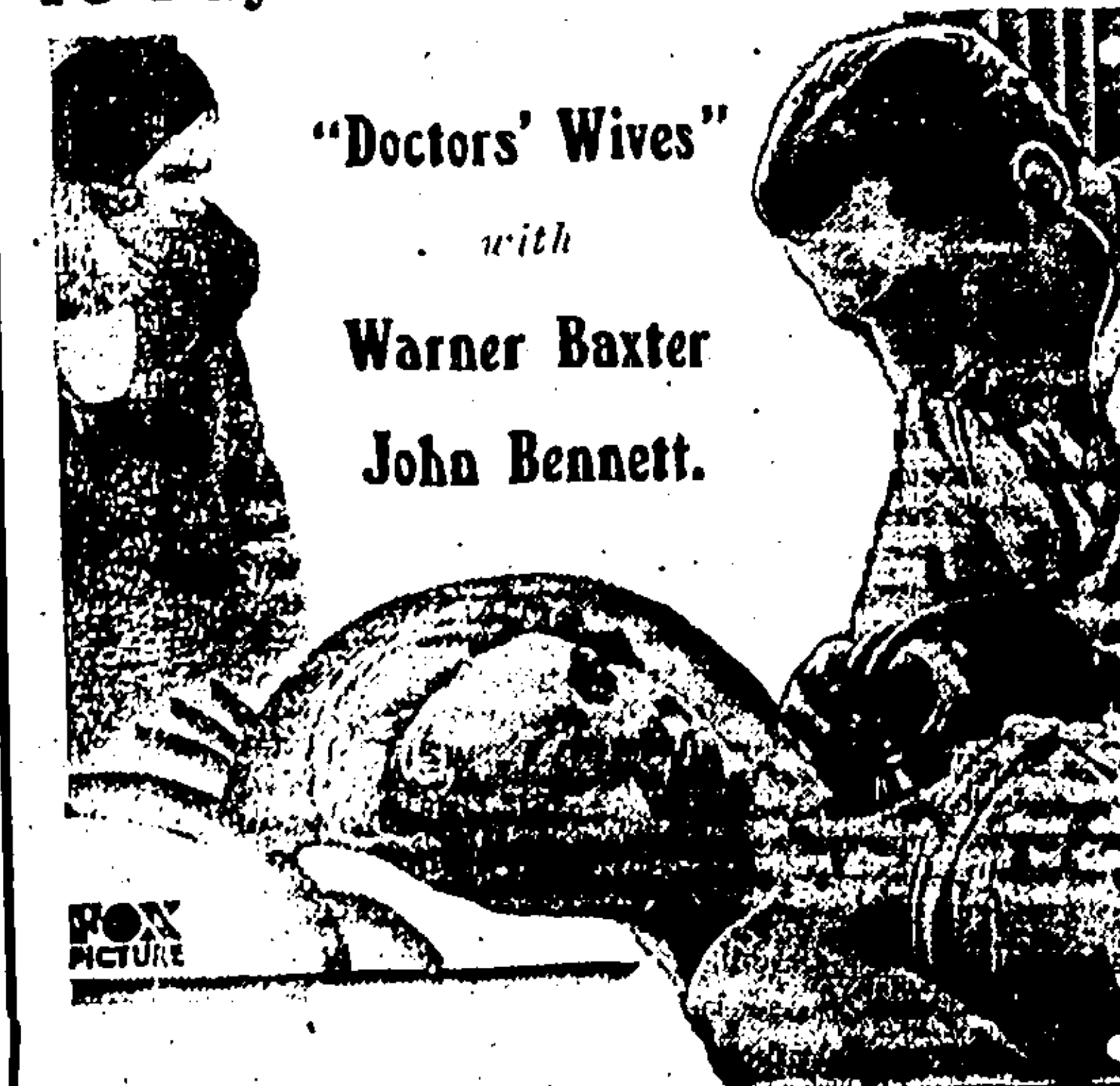


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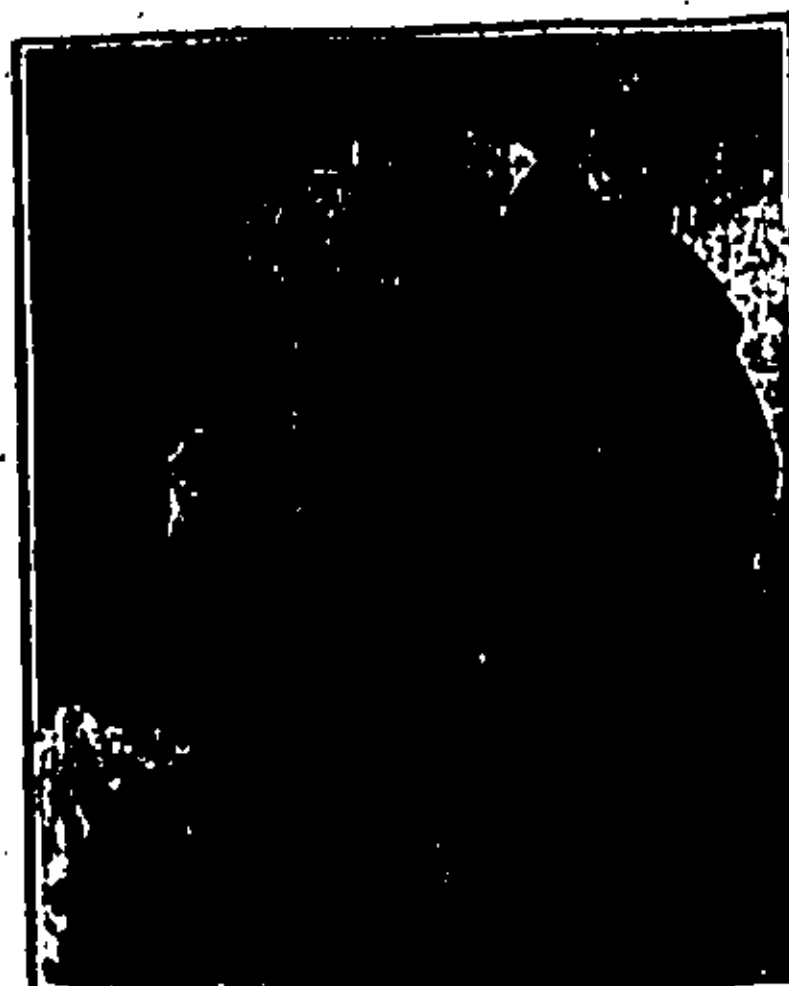
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Practically every system at contract bridge has some form of a demand bid. A demand bid is one which requires partner to keep the bidding open.

Under the One-Two-Three system of Sidney S. Lenz an original three bid is the only demand bid of the system. An original three bid shows a very powerful hand and one in which the declarer feels confident that, with little or no support from partner, game can be made.

When making a three bid, you must be in a position to do one of the following three things:
Re-bid the suit shown.
Bid some other suit.
Permit your partner to play the hand at three no trump.

A three bid must be supported by partner with one quick trick and normal support in the suit bid. Or it may be supported with four cards of the suit bid and no outside strength.

Not holding normal support, but one trick and a biddable suit of your own, this suit should be shown.

When holding less than four cards of the suit bid by partner and a generally worthless hand, your proper response is three no trump. The proper response would also be three no trump if you held only one quick trick and no biddable suit.

When holding better than the one quick trick, and no biddable suit, your proper response would be four or more no trump. Remember that partner, when making an original three bid, holds a very powerful hand and if you hold more than one quick trick, you should be prepared to show these additional values which may assist your partner in arriving at a small or grand slam declaration.

When partner opens with an original three bid of a minor suit, don't be too anxious to jump the contract into a game-going declaration as any original three bid requires the bidding to be kept open until a game contract is arrived at.

The simplicity of this system can easily be summed up as follows:

1.—One bids simply show a fair hand and should not be assisted without real trick values.

2.—Two bids indicate hands on which the changes look good for going game, and can be supported with minimum help, but you are not required to support with worthless cards.

3.—Three bids show the power house hands that will generally produce game if you and your partner can select the correct suit or no trump. They are all demand bids and you are required to keep the bidding open. With a worthless hand, the proper response is three no trump—thus partner is assured of a second opportunity to bid.

INDEPENDENCE OF PHILIPPINES.

REACTION IN JAPAN.

Tokyo, Apr. 5.
Mr. Stimson's letter on Philippine independence is given wide prominence in this evening's papers. Official quarters appear surprised at the House's passage of the Hare Bill, as they never regarded the question of independence as a practical proposition of the near future.

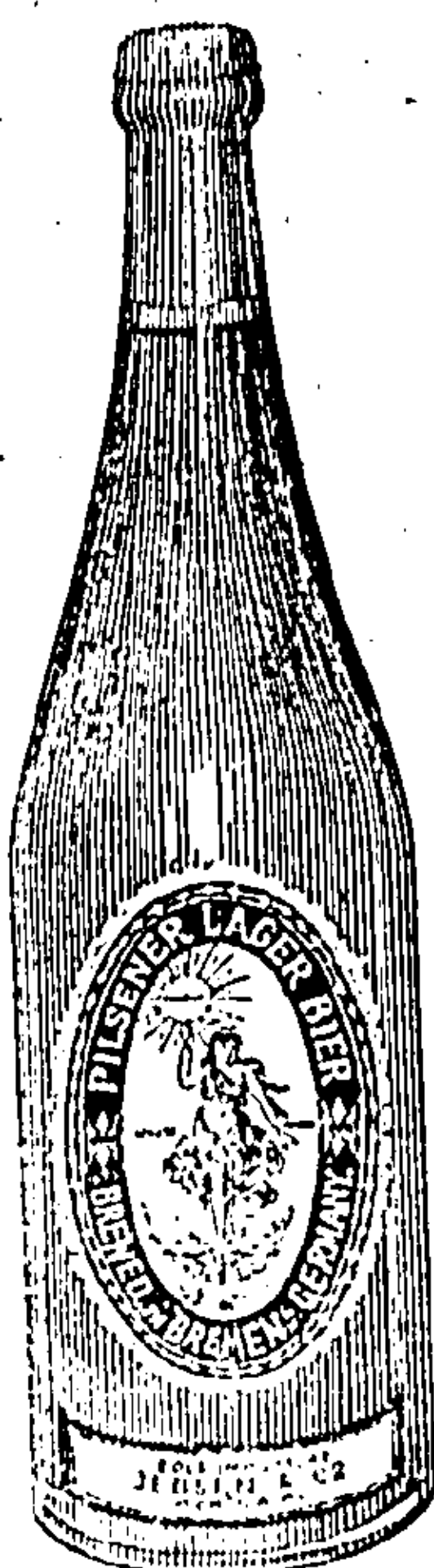
Mr. Stimson's fear regarding Japan if independence be granted is declared to be unfounded. The belief is expressed that Japan would willingly enter a pact guaranteeing Philippine independence if America desired it.

Surprise is expressed at the "imperialistic" tone of Mr. Stimson's letter, which has called forth the comment, "It is difficult to

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BIG CROP FAILURE.

GRAVE POSITION FACING THE SOVIET.

London, Apr. 5.
The greatest anxiety is felt by the Soviet Government owing to the possible failure of the grain crop all over Russia and the bad state of livestock production, caused by alleged "criminal neglect" in spring sowing preparations and the fact that the collective farms have not carried out more than half the winter programme, according to very reliable information from Riga, which states that this is mainly due to apathy on the part of the peasants, as a result of which the Government has issued a decree denouncing the management of the state cattle farms and has arrested 1,700 officials for their dismal failure to provide meat, milk and butter for the "toiling masses."

They have also ordered the state farms to be split into smaller units.

A great effort to retrieve the situation is being made "by shock tactics," and meanwhile the Soviet press points out that the root of the evil is the "depersonalization" or absence of any sense of individual responsibility on the part of the peasants, who have been deprived of their holdings which have been incorporated in the collective system.—*Reuter*.

believe that it was written by the same writer as the recent letter to Mr. Borah."—*Reuter*.

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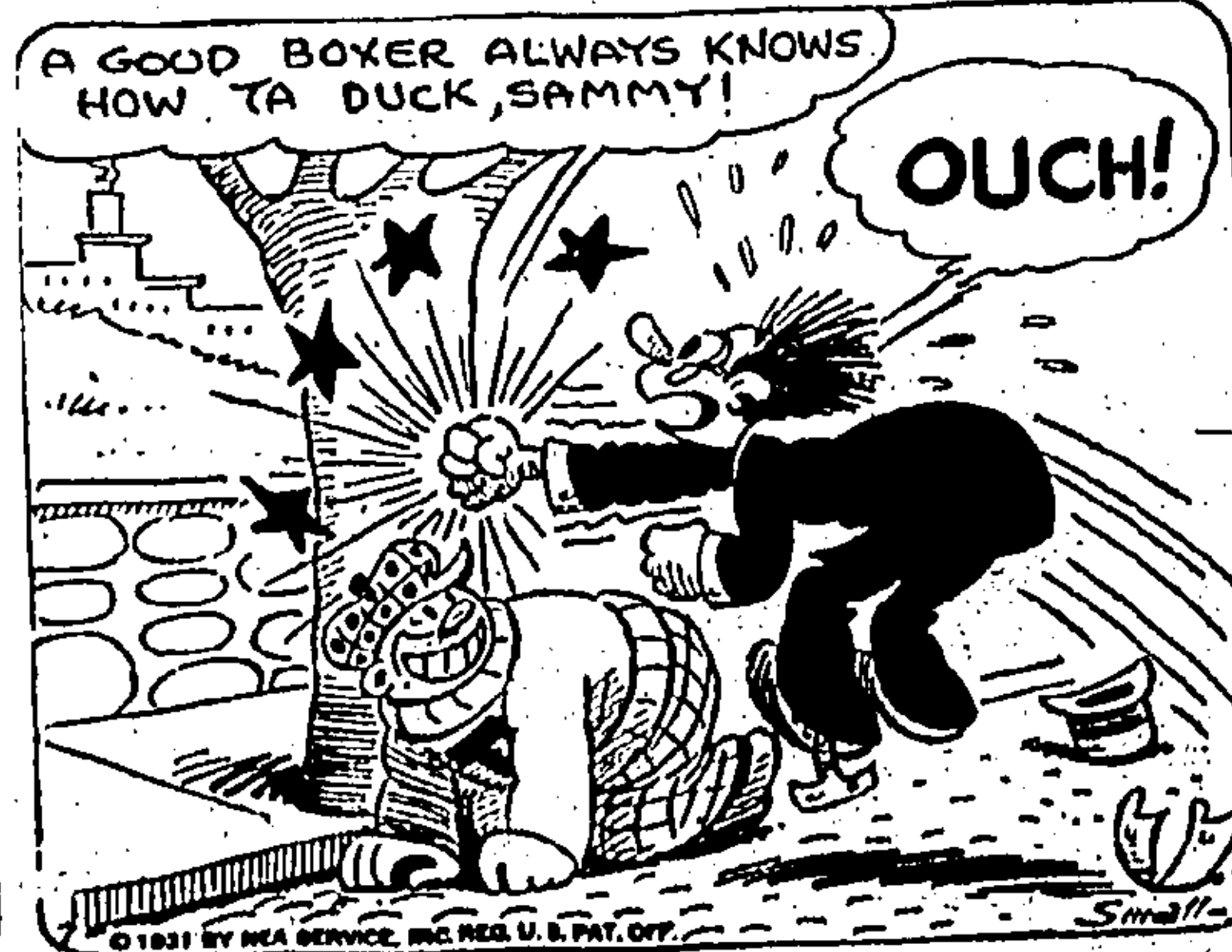
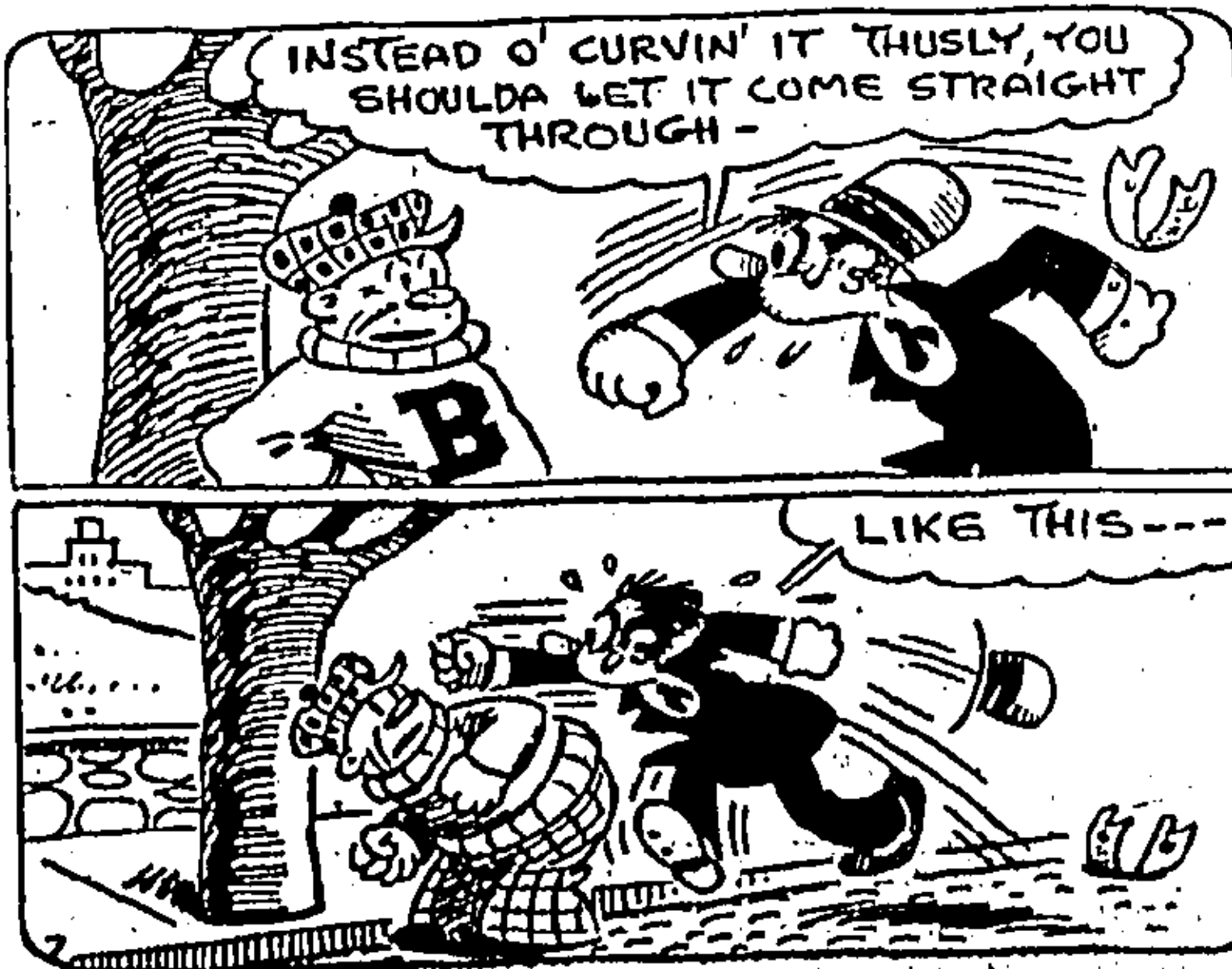
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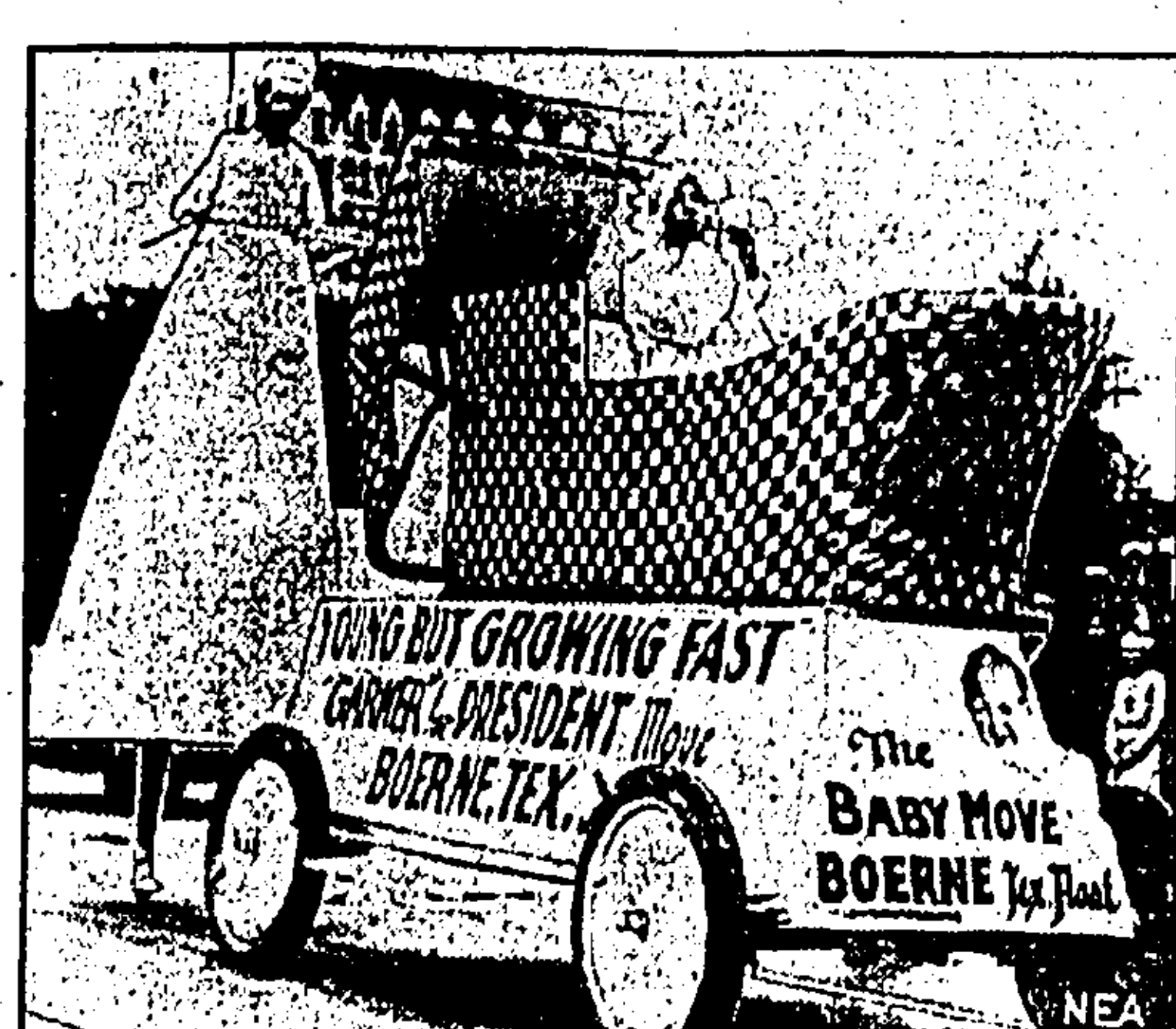
A fantastic building plan, costing \$250,000,000 is proceeding in New York to the order of J. D. Rockefeller, Junr. Hanging gardens in the style of old Babylon will be one of the features.



Princess Taka Kazuko and Princess Toru Shigeko, pictured in a Tokyo park on an exercise walk.



The Reichwehr forces do not learn merely the use of arms as this photo shows. The mysteries of agriculture are only one of the side-lines.



Proclaiming the John Garner-for-president move as "young, but growing fast," this unique float from Boerne, Texas, drew shouts of glee during a colourful parade staged by Democrats at their State Convention in San Antonio.



Miss Anna Ruiz, performer of Maria's role in the Oberammergau Passion Plays, who has undertaken the prosaic post of house-keeper to a Sussex gentleman.



A National-Socialist demonstration at Vienna recently, showing the main entrance of the University where students examined everybody who desired entrance.



A new portrait of George Washington, the last one known to have been made of him from life. Its date is 1799, the year of Washington's death, and it was executed in crayon colour by Dr. Elisha C. Dick, a physician who attended Washington during his last illness and who marked a clock at Mr. Vernon to show the moment of the First President's death. The portrait, executed on the back of a parchment certificate of membership in a Masonic lodge to which both Washington and Dr. Dick belonged, recently was discovered in Alexandria, Va.



Nine years old, and an Italian count, Ricardo Malvasia Della Serra also is one of the world's best marksmen. He's pictured at the Italian pigeon shoot at San Remo, where he defeated more than 200 older contestants from many countries and won a \$1,200 cash prize.

THREE KINDS OF LOVE by KAY CLEVER STRAHAN

CHAPTER XLVIII

Rosalie occasionally inserted an explanatory phrase; Ann interrupted once or twice; Cecily asked several questions; but, on the whole, the three women sat quietly and listened while Grand kept right at it, standing on the hearth rug and talking on and on and on. And even after he had imprinted a kiss on Ann's brow, and another on the top of Cecily's head (she had ducked), and had quivered his voice into the words, "God bless you, my darlings, God bless you," and had gone from the room with Rosalie, who was trying to weep, Ann and Cecily continued sitting still and saying nothing. Finally Ann said, "Well, it had the effect of having been dropped from a height to a hard place, though it landed in fair order."

Cecily asked, "Do you feel as foolish as I feel?"

"Pushed out of the nest," said Ann.

"They smiled together then, but not happily; fearfully, rather, and shamefacedly."

"No, but really," Cecily said, "what do you think, Ann?"

"Nothing, I'm stunned. I'm flat. What do you think?"

"I'm afraid to stir off this sofa. I wouldn't pinch myself for a dollar."

"He had the receipt. You made him show it to you, Cissy, you were dreadful."

"Yes, and you said, 'Let me see it,' before I even had it in my hand." She looked at her watch.

"It's a quarter past one," she announced, as good news, and added, "Barry left at half-past 12."

"I couldn't sleep," Ann said.

"Cissy, let's see if we can't find a few words and put them together and talk."

"It would be fun," Cecily suggested, "to telephone to the boys. They've had time to get home."

"So late?" said Ann.

"Fun!" said Cecily.

"But what could we say?" Ann mused. "I mean—what could we say over the telephone? Where could we begin?"

"I'm not going to say much of anything," Cecily dared to get off the sofa, though she did not pinch herself. "I'm going to be sort of mysterious—a leaf from Rosalie's book. I'm feeling too silly for sense. Barry will loathe it. Oh, fun! But I'll tell him to come on Saturday."

"Yes," said Ann, and stood. "I think I'll just tell Phil—"

Cecily had gone.

Ann looked timidly across the room to the exact spot on the hearth rug where Grand had stood, his hands clasped over the fourth button on his vest, his round white beard moving gently with his words, his head nodding his periods. He had said, unmistakably, while Cissy there on the hearth rug pouted and looked sullen, that the dearest desire of his life and of Rosalie's life had ever been to see their darlings married to good, worthy men who loved them and whom they loved in return. So much was true and easy to believe. But—going on from there?

Rosalie had said that it was pleasant to have an expensive hotel. That it contained the qualities of the best hotels and the best private homes and was neither. That it was beautifully furnished, with a guaranteed temperature of 72 throughout the winter, and a charming, quaint dining room with wicker tables for two, and larger tables, if one desired them, and each table had a sweet little pink-shaded light on it.

Cecily had interrupted somewhere about there, and had remarked that it took quantities of money to buy things in places of that sort.

Unheeding, Grand had gone on and on. Perhaps Ann had not attended as well as she should have attended. She was tired out and sleepy. For years and years, Grand had said, Rosalie and he had gladly, more than gladly, indeed, made a home for their girls. There had been so much of that—so much of the home that he and Rosalie had gladly made for girls who had loved their home so deeply that they were reticent about leaving it. "Timid feet," he had said. And soon he was being stern about timid feet and reticence, and was comparing them with self-reliance, and had seemed to confuse self-reliance with love, and ladies who knew their own minds, and, suddenly, had roundly denounced them out of whole cloth, coquettes and flirts.

Presently Ann had noticed that Cecily looked odd, and pink, and pucker-faced, though Grand had said only, in so far as Ann had heard, that he and Rosalie were past middle age. He went on to say, as Ann listened more intently, that they feared, aye, almost dreaded, another winter in this great, cold, draughty place, with the hardships and insufficiency of fuel. He feared for Rosalie's health. Rosalie feared for his health—a recurrence of last winter's serious,

all but fatal illness. Fear, however, would not force them to evade their duty. Never had their duty been evaded. They were not now evading it. As Mr. Carmichael had pointed out—one must be able to discern where one's real duty lay.

Eagles pushed their eaglets from the nest, but flew beneath them with outstretched wings to catch them should they fall. The home was here. He and Rosalie would be near their darlings, in fact and in spirit, flying beneath them should their wings grow weak—ready to give advice, to help catch them should they fall. He and

LOVE OF LUXURY?

This was the choice facing Ellen Rossiter, a "dime-a-dance girl" in a Broadway dance hall. Ellen had never known luxuries and longed for them. Larry Harrowgate, whom she loved treated her as a playmate, was never serious. Steven Barclay, rich and middle-aged, offered her every happiness money could buy.

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Rosalie had waited now, patiently and long. They had paid the money for the livings in May, at a time when the vacancy had occurred, and at a time when their darlings' futures had seemed planned and secure. They had waited. They had not complained.

Cecily, so recently scolded concerning reticence, had, here, spoken right out. "You have paid the money for the livings? Paid it in May? Did they give you a receipt? May I see it?"

Grand had taken the paper from his old bill folder and had shown it, and Ann had read it word for word with her own eyes.

Mr. Carmichael, his friend, his dear friend, his good friend, had advanced the necessary amount. "Six thousand dollars!" Cecily had gasped. "But why should he—why would he lend such a lot of money?"

Friendship. Kindness. Solitude for his friends' health. Generosity. The Golden Rule. Any number of reasons. Grand added, however, with a sort of light pride, that he had insisted upon Mr. Carmichael's taking the mansion and the grounds—the entire estate, in fact—as a pledge for the amount he had advanced.

Rosalie had said, "Merely a pledge. Not a mortgage nor—um—anything discreditable of that sort. A pledge. You know, dears, you understand?"

The dears either knew and understood or pretended that they did so.

Ann had thought, "All the time—I wonder for how long—they have hated it just as Cissy and I have hated it. That is funny. Or—is it funny? Odd that Cissy doesn't laugh. I must not laugh. It would be rude to laugh. I'll wait to laugh." Ann had said, "Yes, Grand," and, "Surely," and, "Of course," to his plan concerning Mary-Frances.

She would, he presumed, make her home with Philip and Ann. He did insist, however, he must insist that, as often as once a week, at least, Mary-Frances should come to him and to Rosalie and present to them, as Ann and Cecily had always presented, her girlish problems (if any existed), her youthful hopes, her maiden aspirations.

"And now, my darlings, my little girls—always girls to me, though soon to be women." And then the kisses, and the blessings, and Cecily and Ann had been left alone, and neither of them could find a word to say until Ann had dropped her "Well" down from a high place.

Cecily returned on tiptoes. She looked dog-guilty and as radiant as a sunrise. "Barry's coming," she said. "I couldn't stop him, I tried to, angel, but I couldn't. He won't drive in. I told him to park outside the grounds and walk up. I'll see him only a minute."

Ann said, "But, Cissy, you shouldn't have," and went to the telephone.

"Phil's coming," Ann said, a few minutes later. "I couldn't stop him. But I told him to park outside the grounds and walk up."

Cecily and Ann sat waiting on the porch. It was cold out there, so they huddled together. Cecily giggled a little, all to herself in the darkness.

"What?" Ann asked.

"Nothing," said Cecily. "Every-

thing."

"Yes," said Ann. "I feel like laughing, too. Only—I don't know, I'm almost afraid to think of how happy Phil and I are going to be. Now that it is right here, it is almost too big to look at. I wonder how we'll stand being so happy, all the time, and still stay sensible."

"Angel," Cecily condescended.

"Don't you feel that way, Cissy?"

"No. I don't suppose we'll be so very happy—much of the time. When two people have managed as much misery as Barry and I have managed before we are married—I suppose we'll keep on with it, more or less. Less—maybe."

"I'm," said Ann.

"I'm," said Cecily.

"You'd rather be unhappy with Barry," said Ann, "than happy with anyone else."

"I hope I'm not such an idiot. No."

"But if you don't expect to be happy, what are you marrying him for?"

"Not for anything. Just because he is Barry."

"I'm," said Ann.

"The Hills," said Ann, "are such good people, Cissy."

"I know."

Ann nodded to herself. "Just the same, I'll be glad to have Mary-Frances going to a different school. We'll live on the west side, near Phil's office. I don't mean that Erintrude isn't a nice little girl. She is—a very nice little girl, but—"

Someone was walking rapidly up the path.

Ann said, "Listen. There's Barry." Phil had farther to come, and Phil was always late.

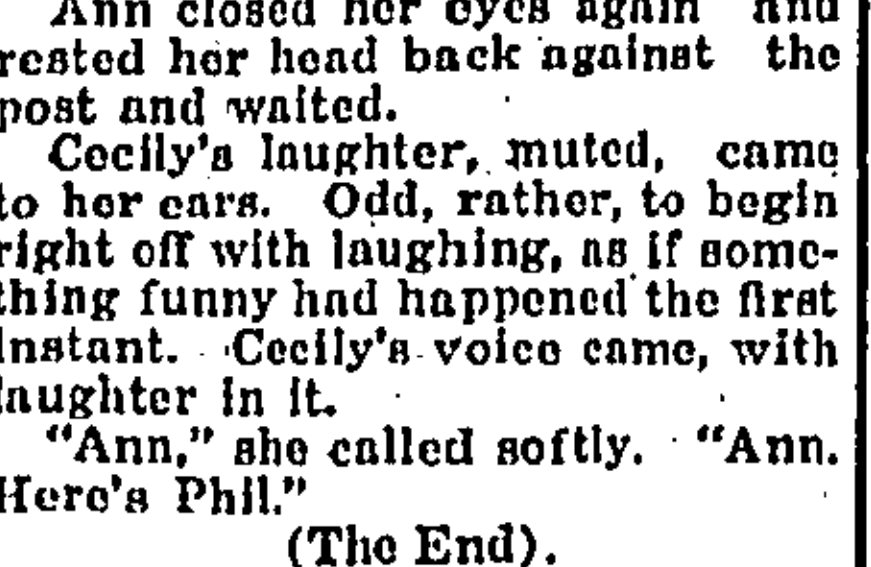
Cecily said, "Yes," and jumped to her feet, and shook her coat straight, and was gone.

Ann closed her eyes again and rested her head back against the post and waited.

Cecily's laughter, muted, came to her ears. Odd, rather, to begin right off with laughing, as if something funny had happened the first instant. Cecily's voice came, with laughter in it.

"Ann," she called softly. "Ann. Here's Phil."

(The End).



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By order of the Board,

W. L. ALEXANDER, Secretary.

Hongkong, 5th April, 1932.

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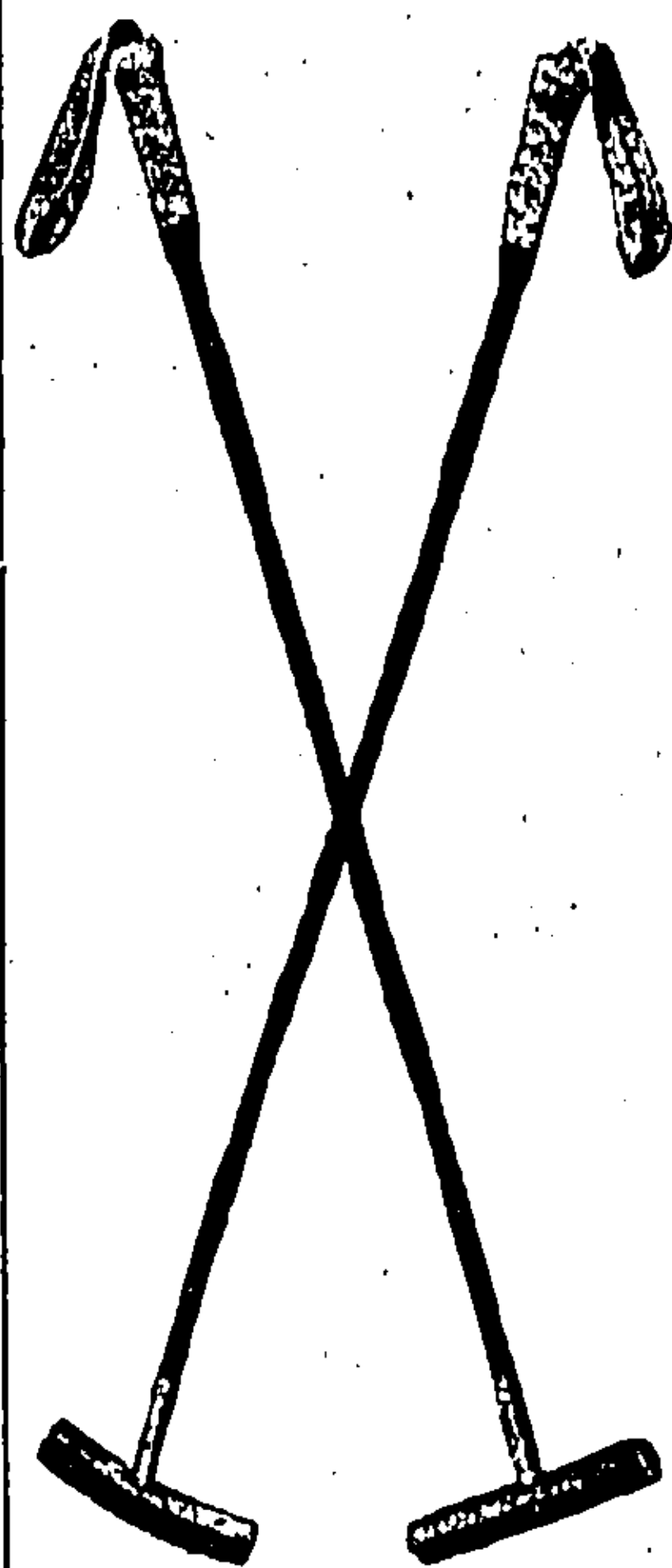
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The first part of testator's will is as follows:—"I am the second son of the late Mr. Yik Yan and one of the descendants of the 21st generation of the late Mr. Kwong Shan. While a child I received lessons from my beloved mother, and while a young boy I attended school for my education. In the prime of my life I carried on travelling trade until my hair grew white. For half of my life I exerted mentally in the commercial line. In fact, I toiled in this busy and dusty world for the whole of my life.

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"I earnestly hope my descendants will appreciate the laborious tasks undertaken by me throughout my life and will behave themselves with respect and carefulness.

Each in Own Sphere.

"Let them show their feeling towards me so that those who are scholars will devote themselves to study and will not stop until they have attained to the peak as it were of a hill; those who are farmers will devote themselves to agriculture and try to acquaint themselves with the difficulties in raising crops of grain; those who are workmen will devote themselves to their respective work to try to acquire the ability of improving their tools in a scientific manner; and those who are business men will devote themselves to the acquisition of wealth and try their best to succeed in their mental calculation in the course of their business transactions. Of all these four lines of business, one may seriously take up one and he will become a good citizen."

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Family bequests are contained in the will.

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INWARD MAIL	Per	Date
Japan	Ginyo Maru	April 6.
Swatow & Amoy	Van Heutz	April 6.
Europe via Suez (Letters and Papers)		
London 10th March and Parcels.		
3rd March	Ranpura	April 6.
Calcutta and Straits	Takada	April 6.
Shanghai & Swatow	Sunning	April 7.
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Alster	April 7.
Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru	April 8.
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 19th March)	Pres. Cleveland	April 8.
Japan and Shanghai	Corfu	April 8.
(London 17th March).		
Australia and Manila	Changte	April 12.
Canada, U. S. A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B. C., 26th March)	Empress of Russia	April 14.
U. S. A., Honolulu, Japan & Shanghai (San Francisco 18th March)	Pres. Hayes	April 16.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Swatow	Prosper	Wed., Apr. 6, 2.30 p.m.
Amoy	Taiyuan	Wed., Apr. 6, 3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Chara Jensen	Wed., Apr. 6, 5 p.m.
Straits	Van Heutz Thura	Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Amoy & Takao via Swatow	Dei Maru	Thurs., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
*Japan, *Canada & *U. S. A.	Tyndarus	Thurs., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan and *Europe via Siberia	Ranpura	Thurs., Apr. 7, 10.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Wing Lee	Thurs., Apr. 7, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Thurs., Apr. 7, 3 p.m.
Amoy	Takada	Thurs., Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U. S. A., Central and South America and *Europe via Vancouver B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	Empress of Canada	Fri., Apr. 8.
	Parcels	Apr. 7, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Apr. 8, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 8, 10 a.m.
	(Due Vancouver B. C., 26th April)	
Manila	Tacoma	Fri., Apr. 8, 5.30 p.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Halphong	King Yuan	Fri., Apr. 8, 5.30 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Corfu	Sat., Apr. 9.

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	Parcels	8th, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	9th, 9 a.m.
	Letters	9th, 10 a.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Parcels	8th, 5 p.m.
	Registration	9th, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	9th, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 14th May)	
	(Due Marseilles, 6th May)	
Sandakan	Hinsang	Sun., Apr. 10, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Canton Maru	Sun., Apr. 10, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Hinsang	Sun., Apr. 10, 8.30 a.m.
Saigon and *Europe via Marseilles	General Metzinger	Tues., April 12.
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	Reg.	Apr. 12, 10 a.m.
	Letters	Apr. 12, 1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 12, 1.15 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 12, 2 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 14th May)	
Swatow, Amoy & Poochow	Hinsang	Tues., Apr. 12, 1 p.m.
*Straits and *Europe via Marseilles	Patroclus	Wed., April 13.
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	Letters	Apr. 13, 2 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 12th May)	

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi	Gango	Wed., April 13.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Apr. 13, 3 p.m.
	Letters	Apr. 13, 4 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
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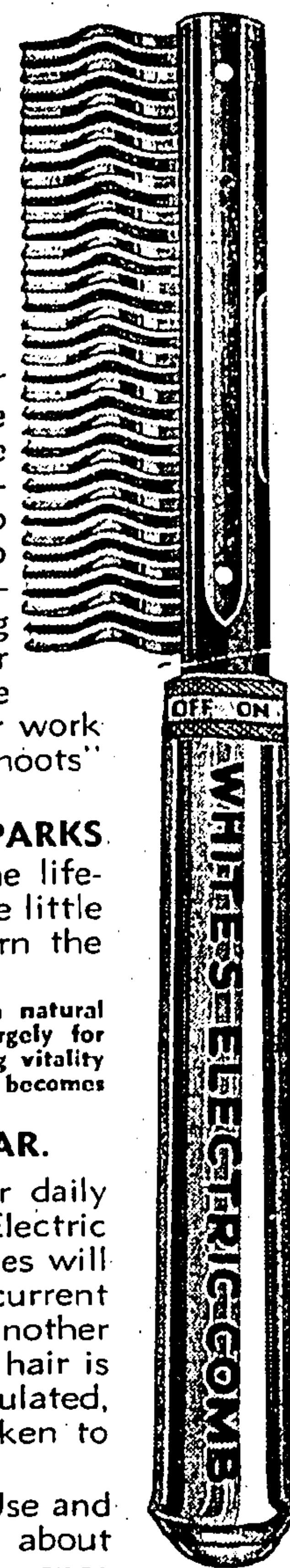
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JAPAN GOES THE LIMIT.

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Tokyo, Apr. 5. It is semi-officially stated that the Government, replying to a request by the Japanese Minister, Mr. Shigemitsu, for instructions regarding the questions of the time and area for withdrawal of troops, will instruct Mr. Shigemitsu that it is impossible for Japan to make any further concession.—*Reuter.*

A Chapel Regime.

Shanghai, Apr. 5, 5.15 p.m. The Shanghai Evening Post gives prominence to a puppet political regime in Chapel.

The paper alleges that an administrative organ—namely, "The Great Japan New Political Affairs Bureau"—is backed by Chinese politicians and Japanese military power.

This administration, asserts the paper, has headquarters in Chapel, and expects to take the place of the administration which was in force by the Chinese municipality before the entrance of the Japanese troops on January 28.

The new government employees are mostly Chinese, but the deputy chief is Japanese.

General Wu Te-chen, Mayor of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, has ordered an investigation into the new regime.—*Reuter Special.*

"Puppet Regime."

Shanghai, Apr. 5. An official Japanese statement, dealing with reports that a puppet regime is being established in Chapel, says the Japanese have never attempted to institute or help to institute a political or administrative organ of any kind, by any person, but adds:

"At no time, of course, have they ever attempted to suppress, nor do they see the necessity for suppressing, any voluntary movement for self help or self administration by bona fide and responsible Chinese citizens."—*Reuter Special.*

French Troops to Manchuria.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. The Cabinet has approved the programme of the Army for the relief of troops in Manchuria. Imperial sanction will be sought this afternoon.

Under this plan the remainder of the 8th and 10th Divisions will be sent to Manchuria commencing about the middle of this month to relieve the Korean Division which will return to Korea.—*Reuter.*

Big Concentration Being Maintained.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. It is announced that the troops

of the Eighth Division will embark at Aomori for Dairen on April 14 and 15 and the troops of the Tenth Division will embark at Uno for Dairen on April 15 and 16.

Although it was originally intended to withdraw the whole Twentieth Division for Korea it has been decided temporarily to leave one brigade in Manchuria, so that the reliefs will actually entail an increase of one brigade in Manchuria, giving Japan a total strength of five divisions plus the auxiliary units in Manchuria and Korea combined, compared with the present equivalent of only four divisions.

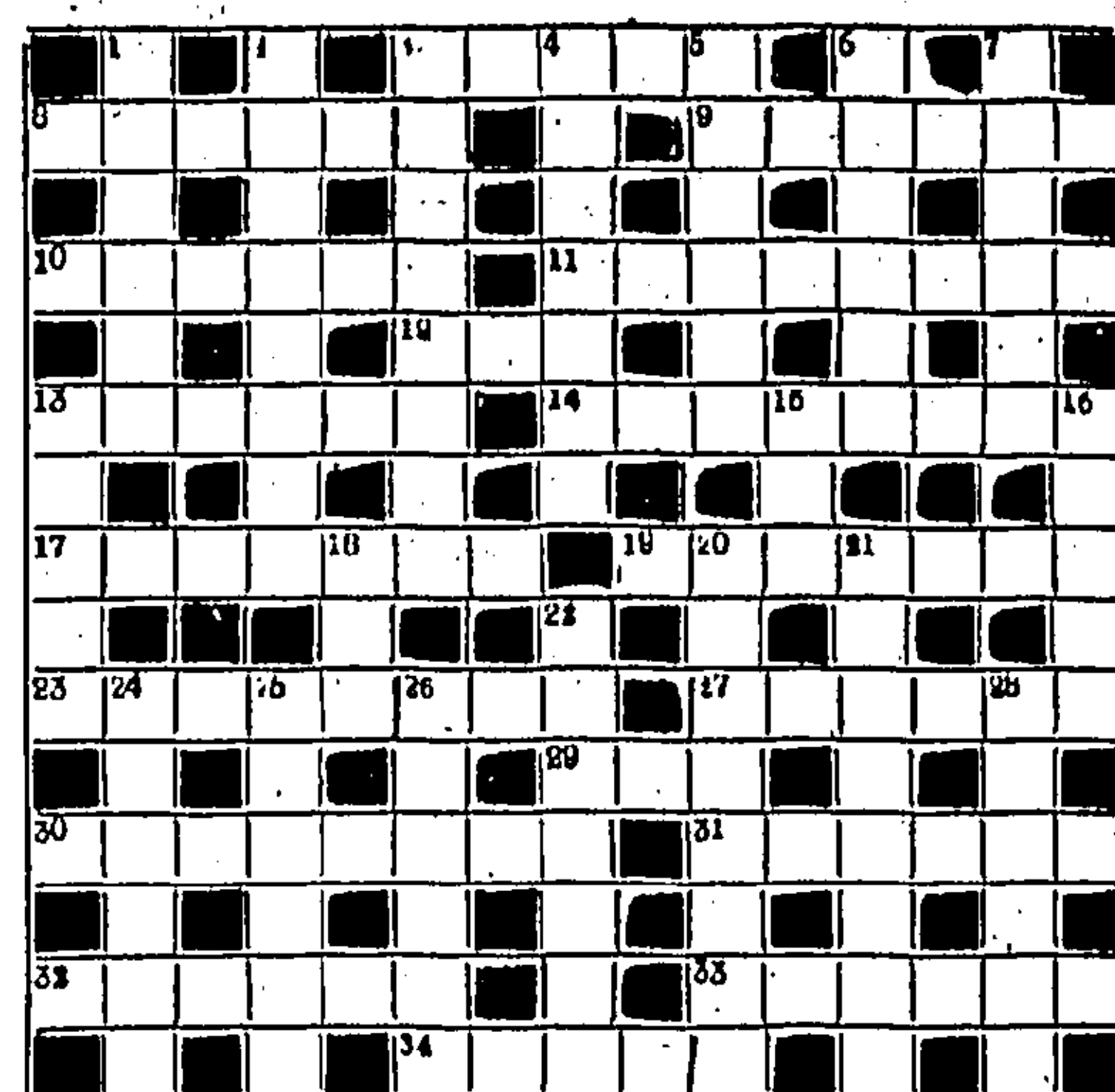
According to the War Office, the retention of a Korean brigade in Manchuria is due to the necessity to "suppress banditry over an extensive area."—*Reuter.*

Loan Arranged.

Tokyo, Apr. 5. Following the conclusion of negotiations with the Government authorities, the Mitsui and Mitsubishi concerns have decided to loan Yen 20,000,000 through the Bank of Korea to the Manchurian Government.

The terms are five per cent. interest redeemable in five years, on the security of the surplus funds of the salt gabelle, though originally it was reported that there would be no security and no interest.—*Reuter.*

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- 3 Give the bird a small brandy and soda and there will be a game.
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- 10 Though you must exclude noise this unicycle is seldom noiseless.
- 11 Creation holds the elements of this response to external stimulus.
- 12 Sheepish sort of cry.
- 13 You will find a clove in this shady spot.
- 14 Sounds rather like a place where the knot would be uncomfortable—unless he loses his head, when, of course, he is fully protected.
- 17 A couple of good friends give a hand, or, at least, something very like it.
- 19 Wander aimlessly.
- 23 Article of dress that is unfashionable, but often seen in a glass.
- 27 Sovereigns and all other heads have these.
- 29 You may take it badly.
- 30 A synonym for "modern."
- 31 Gone wrong: made so by art, any.
- 32 Part of a volcano that has its own comparative value.
- 33 Benuse.
- 34 There is nothing beside a little slater in the desert to make her desirable.

Down

- 1 Spread irregularly and with an upward twist.
- 2 Give the next of kin a weaver's implement and the family will prize it.
- 3 In melodrama the hero may second his first, and a K.C. may be counted upon to do so.
- 4 Why give assurance to Jingolam.
- 5 Nevertheless, this geographical feature may be quite tortuous.
- 6 It is popularly held that, in

certain circumstances, one may be the salvation of eight others.
7 What ships do at Aden.
13 Its leaves are all atremble.
15 This urchin never has to wash its neck.
16 That side bit looks likely—resume the search at seven (hidden).
18 Industrious little crossword insect.
20 Vociferates.
21 "By whose aid I have be-dimm'd the sun" (hyphen)—"The Tempest."
22 Although these expert weavers are always on their feet their legs show no muscular development.
24 This Indian native State doesn't sound the place in which to spend the summer but—
25 This is, undoubtedly, a good place to gather round in the winter.
26 A great Roman orator who is sometimes started off with a kick.
28 Here a nobleman comes in early, and not quite as well.

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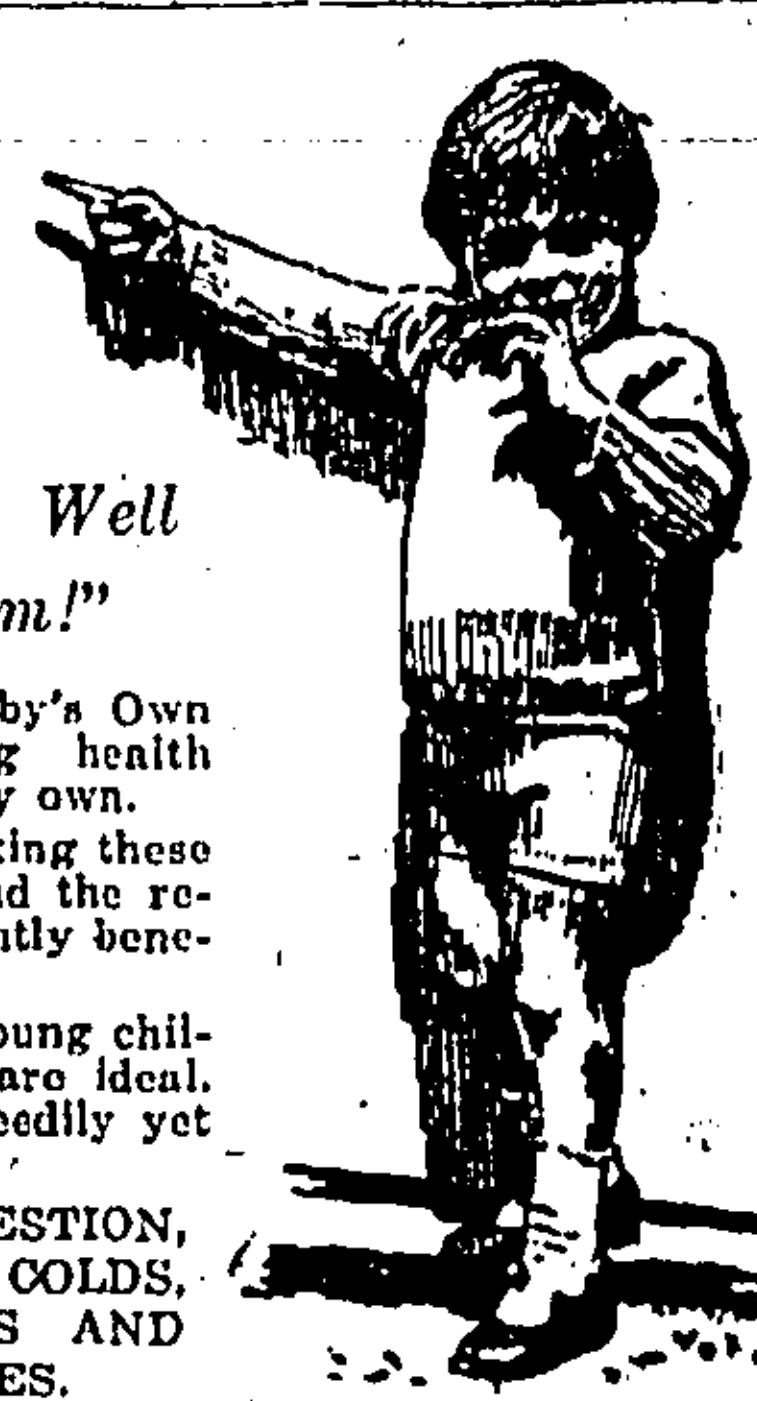
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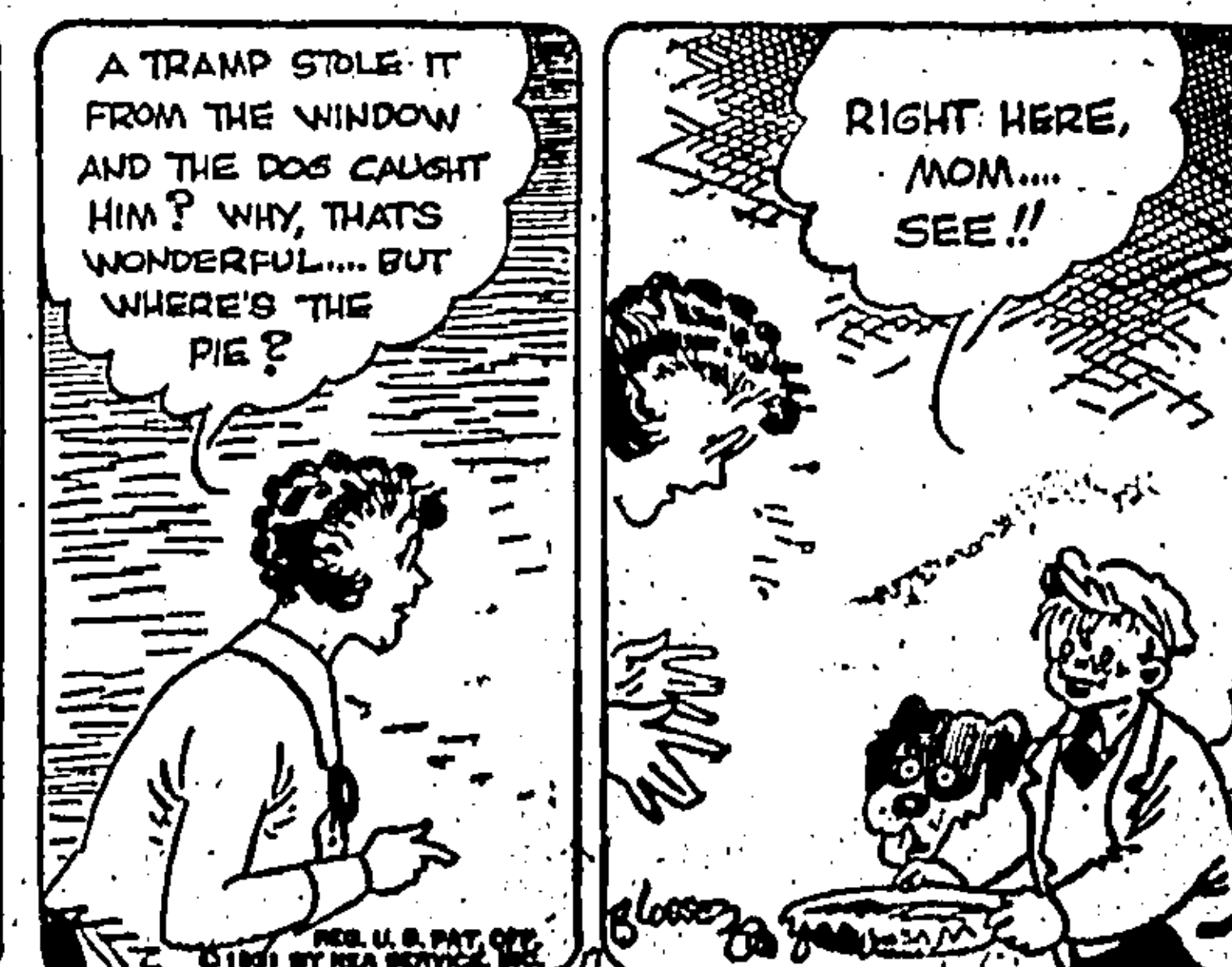
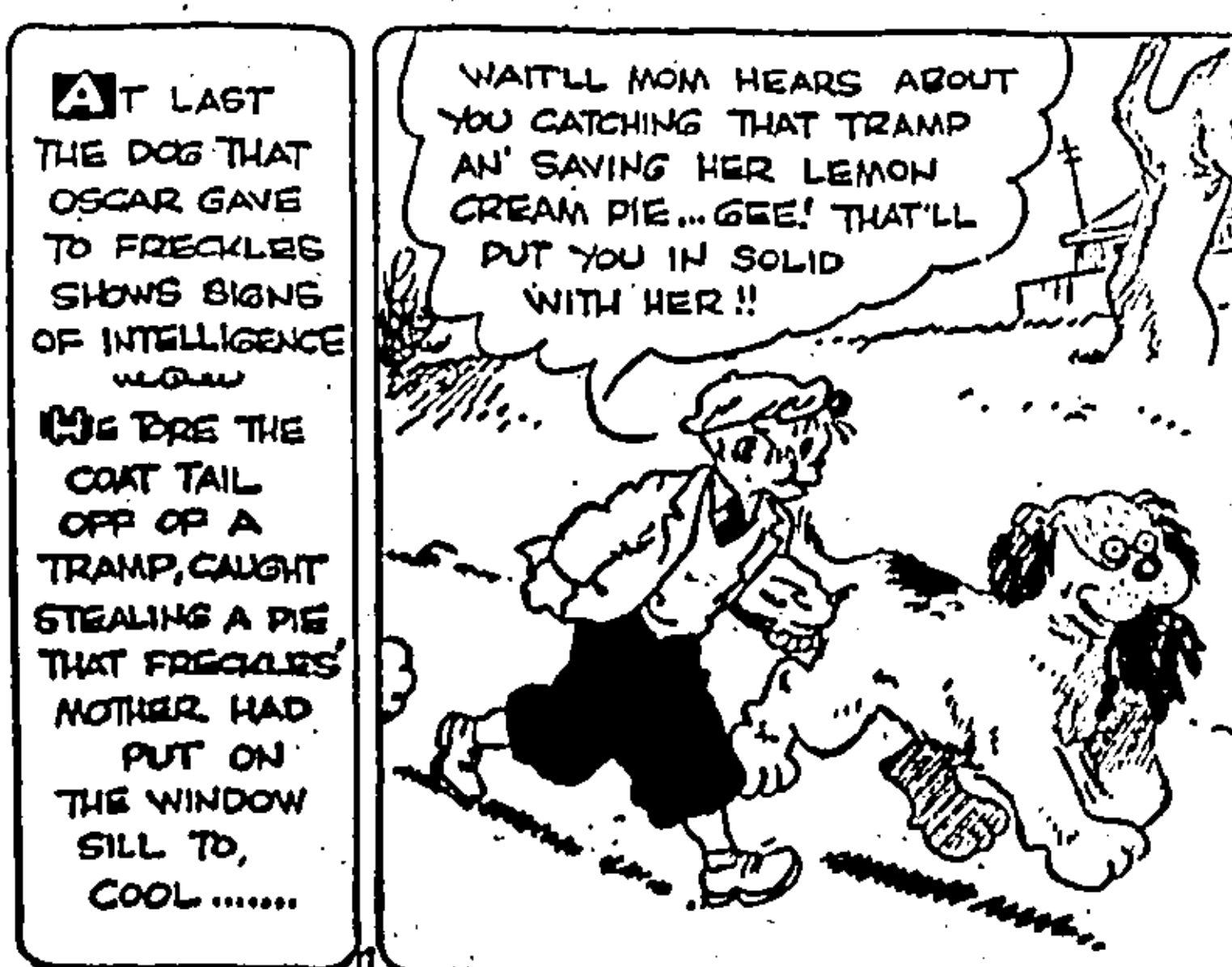
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THE RISE IN THE
POUND.

Those who have been watching the steady rise in the pound sterling with satisfaction may be interested to learn that not all financiers are gratified at the development. Indeed, the view has been strongly expressed by one City financial editor that Britain is in distinct danger of being pushed back on to the gold standard by frenzied foreign gambling in sterling. There is, says this authority, a risk that the pound may be stabilised quickly, if not at the old parity, then at some figure around four dollars. Thus the world marketing advantages of Britain's exporting industries are, it is held, again in danger of being jettisoned for the honour of London as the world's financial centre, while a trade revival for the sterling bloc of countries is on the point of being killed by the sterling prices of commodities falling before the gold prices can rise.

The view is being expressed that there is only one certain way of bringing this dangerous gamble in sterling exchange to an end. This is an announcement that the British Government does not intend to return to gold. It is not so dreadful as it sounds. Britain has been "off" the gold standard for many months, has actually benefited from the change and has helped at the same time nearly one half of the world. The Midland Bank does well to call attention in its March Review to the fact that never before has Great Britain had such opportunities for shaping the course of world trade. There is at the present time no world price for any commodity, for the world no longer operates upon a universal monetary basis. Since the middle of November last gold has been appreciating in terms of commodities (that is, gold commodity prices have been falling) while sterling has been fairly steady, despite the heavy decline in its gold value. Now on account of the great commodity markets in Liverpool and London, steady sterling prices exercise a stabilising influence upon gold prices. Per contra, falling gold prices for commodities act as a weight upon sterling quotations. The relative strength of

the two forces depends partly upon the relative importance of gold and non-gold countries as producers and consumers of particular goods, partly upon the influence of London as a world-trading and financial centre. The Midland Bank estimates that sterling can be put almost, if not quite, on a parity with gold in respect of relative power over commodity prices. At any rate, the gold standard countries, and those maintaining nominal parity with gold, account for approximately one-half the total of the world's international trade. It is therefore highly important that the sterling prices of commodities should not be pulled down by a sensational rise in the gold exchange value of sterling. What is needed is a rise in sterling prices to somewhere around the 1929 level, accompanied by a rise in the gold prices of commodities induced by controlled inflation in the gold-standard countries, as America, is trying to bring about.

It is suggested that if the British Government were to declare definitely for a managed paper currency for all time, if it were to express its intention of restoring the 1929 sterling price level and maintaining it by the usual monetary methods, the gamble in the sterling exchange would die an instantaneous death. A cheap money policy could then safely be followed, which would stimulate capital development at home and provide an increased demand for labour. Sterling prices would gradually rise and America would be given a real chance to make good with her "controlled inflation" scheme. As long as an active market in forward exchange was maintained, the fluctuations in the exchange values of the pound would not be to the detriment of international trade. The future of London as the world's financial centre would not be prejudiced. Sterling would become the world standard instead of gold. As Mr. Keynes remarked recently, the old gold standard worked well when it was in effect a sterling standard, but when gold went "off" sterling last autumn, the gold standard became doomed. Whatever policy is followed, it seems highly desirable that the Bank of England and the Federal Reserve Bank of New York should work in collaboration to prevent a "bull" drive on the pound or a "bear" drive on the dollar. The "peg" on the exchange must be put back.

War on the Starched Front.

Women have wondered for years how long strong men are going to cover before the tyranny of the elusive collar stud. And the starched stiffness that goes with collar studs. Women lately have accompanied the male human into many of his hitherto exclusive pursuits but not the pursuit of the collar stud as it rolls under some heavy piece of furniture and lies, elusive and obstinate, in a triumphant and baffling silence, metaphorically smiling at futile ferocity. Now however, the war, often sporadic and halting which has been waged fitfully at times upon the collar stud and its concomitant shackles has been renewed in earnest. The Men's Dress Reform Party is beginning its spring campaign in England against conservatism in male dress. Dr. A. C. Jordan, general secretary of the party, says men's modern dress must be brought up to modern aesthetic and hygienic standards, declaring that it has not been changed for a hundred years. The men of parties on country rambles are to wear thin open-necked shirts and shorts, sandals or shoes, and carry pullovers in case of need. "We want to get rid of the collar stud and free men's necks," says Dr. Jordan. Men's dress reformers have opened war on a wide front—a starched front and a collar-studded front. May it be found that a soft shirt turneth away wrath. As in England so in Hongkong. The men of the Colony are growing more and more into the habit of considering comfort before what is "strictly correct," though even now the appearance of, say, a bank clerk in the office dressed in an open shirt would possibly create a vacancy in the managerial chair.

A woman, Au Yung, 30, was rescued from the harbour near the No. 1 Buoy, and sent to the Kowloon Hospital in an exhausted condition last night. It is thought that she had either fallen or had thrown herself from a Star Ferry launch.

DAY BY DAY

THE DEEPEST ROOT OF MORAL DISORDER LIES IN AN IMMODERATE EXPECTATION OF HAPPINESS.—
Morley.

The P. and O. s.s. Corfu, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by Hongkong against arrivals from Amoy on account of small-pox have been removed.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Stacy Pierce Harris, of the U.S.S. Mindanao, to Miss Matano Hayashi, No. 37, Morrison Hill Road.

Severely scalded by an escape of steam in the engine room of the s.s. Hiroshi Maru, Li Foo, a fireman, was taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital last night.

H.E. the Governor and Lady Peel attended the 7.15 showing of the British film, "Sunshine Susie," at the King's Theatre last evening. There was again a packed house.

As announced at yesterday's fifth, next week's Rotary Club dinner will take place on the President Hoover. The speaker will be Mr. A. M. Bowers, Smith, whose subject will be "These Bullion Brokers."

Invitations have been issued by the Chief Petty Officer and the Petty Officers of H.M.S. Cumberland for a flannel dance (the last of the season) at the Garrison Lecture Hall, Friday, April 15, beginning at 8.30 p.m.

Messrs. Wm. Powell, Ltd., advertise that the thirty-first ordinary general meeting of shareholders will be held in the offices of Messrs. Percy Smith, Seth & Fleming, 6, Des Voeux Road, Central, on Thursday, April 21, at 11.30 a.m.

It was reported by the police this morning that a young married woman, named Leung Kiu-hing, living at 11 Gough Street, attempted suicide by taking Phosphorus tablets. She was removed yesterday to the Government Civil Hospital.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the week ended April 2 shows the following cases of infectious diseases and the deaths therefrom: small-pox, nine cases; enteric fever, two cases; three deaths; cerebro spinal fever, 13 cases, and one death; and pulmonary tuberculosis, 45 deaths. Two cases of small-pox, one of diphtheria, five of enteric fever and one of cerebro-spinal fever were reported to the Medical Officer of Health on Monday.

All sections of H. M. services were represented at an enjoyable whist drive, organised by the European Y.M.C.A., assisted by the Women's Guild of Kowloon Union Church, which was held in the new lounge of the Y.M.C.A. on Monday night. Prizes were donated by Messrs. C. H. Bernard and Son and Messrs. Lane Crawford, and they were distributed by Mrs. E. L. Allen. The function, which was organised for the benefit of the services, was highly successful, and play was keen and friendly.

Georges Ardur de Hour-de Pastree, 48, described as a motor engineer, living at 22, Yick Tan Street, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with possession of an automatic pistol and entering the Colony without a proper passport. De Pastree pleaded that the automatic was useless, as it could not be worked. The case was remanded until Monday morning, on an application by Mr. D'Almada e Castro, bail being allowed in the amount of \$400, a surety being optional.

EDGAR WALLACE AS I KNEW HIM.

By "AN OLD STAGER."

FLEET Street has lost its Superman. His requiem has been chanted to the obligato of the roaring printing presses. Newspaper people are not given to wringing either their hearts or wringing bands on their sleeves. But the working rank and file of journalism, the veterans who graduated in the Street of Adventure before the war, mourn sincerely for Edgar Wallace.

For them his passing is incomparably a heavier blow than was the death of Lord Northcliffe. The latter was a remote figure, a newspaper brass hat with a pulsant baton. Edgar Wallace carried his pack in the ranks, and out of earshot of the red-tailed staff, laughed with the rest of us at the mighty Napoleons. We may never again have, in the New Grub Street that is already old and jaded, such a picturesque, debonair adventurer.

Edgar Wallace never knew his parents. A Cockney poor-law orphan, he was adopted by the warm-hearted wife of a Stepney fish porter. His foster mother worked at a washtub to eke out the humble earnings of an impoverished household. In his most high and palmy days, Edgar Wallace never ceased to remember, and never forgot to honour, that decent soul. He meant it when he said that the woman behind the washtub was the real backbone of England.

After trying to earn a pittance in various ways, including selling papers outside the Press Club of which he was to become chairman and patron, Edgar Wallace enlisted in a line regiment, transferred to the R.A.M.C. and found himself rubbing shoulders with Table Mountain.

Just after Edgar Wallace had deserted his military career to try out his luck as a writer, the Boer War came along to give him his first real leg up. He turned war correspondent, and his vivid style, knowledge of Army ways, and still more the cool audacity and alert aplomb with which he bluffed the military censor and got his stories through to London, secured him a good job on Northcliffe's paper.

He was now fairly in the journalistic saddle, but still only a trooper. He remained just a humdrum reporter, cheery, bright, resourceful, and hard up, till he struck oil in some degree with "Four Just Men." It was the best of all his books, but it was a despairing effort to sell a rejected short story by extending it.

A Household Word. No publisher would look at it, but the author's faith in his own handiwork made him somehow contrive to publish it at his own expense. It made his name, and laid the trail for his subsequent fortune, but the profits were nothing. He spent too much on printing and advertising.

But now, suddenly as by the rubbing of Aladdin's lamp, the Fleet Street maid-o-all work found himself on the high road to fame and fortune. There is no need to recapitulate the rest of the story. Henceforth Edgar Wallace was a name to conjure with on bookstalls and playbills. He supplied a weary world with the distracting thrills it missed when the guns ceased fire. In eight years he must have made at least £200,000 by intensive dictaphone hustle. A marvellous metamorphosis from the washtub days! But Edgar Wallace never changed a hair. He coined money like a conjurer. He

had a literary Midas touch. Two millions of his books sold in one year. His crooks plays made Marathon runs. In between whiles he turned out short stories, wrote newspaper articles, and ran racing columns. One journal paid him £10 a day for a single tip.

Yet Edgar Wallace survived the supreme test. A self-educated, self-made man, he withstood the corrosion of immense wealth and great celebrity. He remained just the same shrewd, cheery, debonair, good-hearted fellow that he had always been. Fortune might pampers, but she could not spoil him. His generosity was unostentatious and princely. His right hand never knew which of his pockets his left hand was robbing for somebody or something. Amongst innumerable gestures of quiet, spontaneous benevolence, he Fleet Street dogs over hard stiles.

His life was exotic. He smoked around a hundred cigarettes a day, always in a holder as long as a walking stick. His special weakness was an amazing jazz dressing jacket, but he needed that. Because his favourite plan was to get up after midnight, ring for the butler who was always on night duty against such emergencies, and with tea or coffee as a stimulant, delve away in his crook treasury. Weird tales are told of how many novels he could dictate at once. He was a generous employer, but no shorthand typist could stick the pace he set who was not equal to record. But the dictaphone was his pet. Its sheer modernity and sleekness enticed his temperament.

Cheerful Loser. A born gambler, only the racecourse was allowed to interrupt the hustling tenor of his literary way. But now and then he emerged from the hectic club-getting to preside at a Press Club dinner or play a rubber of bridge in the club cardroom. He had one day had the fancy to turnish out of his own purse. I have often sat opposite that long cigarette-holder as partner in a hard-fought rubber. Edgar Wallace was not a front rank player, and had an incurable habit of overcalling his hand rather than let a rubber go. He could not stand knocking down even at cards. But what a gracefully cheerful loser he could be!

That was his philosophy of life. He meant what he frankly said in his biography—lean adventure had greater charms for him than settled affluence. He sometimes sighed for the savoury husks of his old Fleet Street days. I fancy he found more zest at the *la mode* beef shop or the old sausage counter than at the Savoy or the Ritz. Safety last was Edgar Wallace's slogan. Colossus and an umbrella, in their metaphorical entente, had no place in the equipment of one who had sometimes walked home from Kempton Park because he had lost every cent, and other times brought back £200 instead of a solitary shiver. He once coaxed bullfinches into a game of poker that enabled him to settle his bill and left enough over for a new overcoat.

Yet, except in tobacco and work and betting, he was a strictly sober and even abstemious citizen. He drank next to nothing except a very occasional glass of champagne.

A Jovial Cynic. Well, he has run his race. When the Angel of that darker drink Old Omar talks about drew up to him, I am sure Edgar Wallace never shrank.

He never wanted to go to Hollywood. He did not like Americans and hated the whole aura of the film metropolis. Megaphoned pretension was never much in Edgar Wallace's line. I suspect the treacherous chills of Los Angeles, the climate of which has been as grossly puffed as everything else about it, caught him in some furious night vigil of film work. Old soldiers are tough, but old journalists are not. His was not the build or habit of life to withstand double pneumonia following flu. Fleet Street's brave knight-errant has gone. We might have better spared a greater literary light. He turned out novels and plays as some men manufacture jam or candles, occasionally, in the carelessness of haste, mixing his characters a bit or varying his hero's Park Lane address. But his personality was richer than half-a-dozen of the highbrow literary geniuses who laughed at Edgar while log-rolling themselves.

He was a queer mixture. Part schoolboy, part racecourse sharp, sentimentalist, but humanitarian through and through. His blue eyes, of the kind usually associated with aluminium blondes, gazed on the world, its cities and men, with genial, humorous derision. He had no illusions, though he tried to convert Blackpool Nonconformists to seaside casinos, and no rancours, though he regarded professional politicians as a shade worse than threecard tricksters. A jovial cynic who yet bravely sought the golden end of the rainbow, he resembled Kipling's hero. "B-liked it all."



"They'll be back in about two hours and want to know if the dog got impatient."

Four-Power Conference.

PRIME MINISTER TO PRESIDE.

London, Apr. 5.—The Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald, will preside over the Four-Power Conference which opens at the Foreign Office to-morrow to consider the situation in the Danubian countries.

The Government of the United Kingdom will also be represented by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary, Sir John Simon, and the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Runciman.

All these ministers took part in yesterday's Anglo-French conversations which may prove to have been the deciding factor in reaching an agreement among the four Powers.

Although those preliminary conversations were regarded by the participants as so helpful as to justify the general adoption by European statesmen of this method of approaching the problems besetting the Continent, no decisions were made. Both the French and British delegates, although now helpfully familiar with one another's views, can enter to-morrow's conference with perfect liberty to change those views after hearing the opinions put forward by the German and Italian representatives.

M. Flaminio, the French Finance Minister, has remained in London as the chief of the French delegation and Herr Von Bülow, head of the German Foreign Office, reaches London early to-morrow from Berlin. It is expected that the conference will last for two or three days.—*British Wireless.*

EMPIRE PRODUCE FAIR IN HONGKONG.

Two-Day Exhibition Next Month.

Arising out of a suggestion made at the recent meeting of the Empire Day Committee, held at Government House, whereby facilities might be made available for the purchase of New Territories produce, arrangements are now in hand for the holding of a special Fair for this purpose on May 23rd and 24th.

This has been made possible through the promised co-operation of the New Territories Agricultural Association and of many others interested in the project. Matters were discussed at considerable length at a meeting of the Empire Products Sub-Committee of the Association, over which the Hon. Mr. J. P. Bragg presided.

It is hoped to hold the Fair on the plot of ground at the junction of Salisbury and Nathan Roads, opposite the Peninsula Hotel, to which vegetables, melons in season, poultry and eggs will be transported from the various districts in the New Territories. The prices of the products will be determined by the *Land* people, or wholesale green grocers, on a basis which will assure the farmers a profit.

Kowloon Tong residents have promised to be responsible for one tent of exhibits from their district, and it is hoped that residents at The Peak, Shek-O and other places will similarly co-operate. Mr. H. S. Chen, proprietor of the Tsui Wan "Sunny Farm," has promised a supply of eggs as free gifts to the Fair. The elders of the New Territories have shown much interest in the Empire Day products movement, and have promised to disseminate the idea amongst the people on the mainland.

INDIA OUTLOOK IMPROVES.

PICKETING PLAN INEFFECTUAL.

London, Apr. 5.—Reviewing the Indian political situation, Sir Samuel Hoare, Secretary for India, in a House of Commons statement to-day, said the general situation had continued to show an improvement during the past fortnight, and convictions in connexion with the civil disobedience movement show a decline in the North-West Provinces, Bihar and Orissa, and the Central Provinces.

In the Punjab, attempts by the Akhbar to revive picketing at Amritsar are proving ineffectual. On the frontier, the situation in Bajaur continues to improve, but there are signs of communal tension in certain areas.

POSTAL CLERK IN DOCK.

PLEADS GUILTY TO FORGERY.

"A SCAPEGOAT."

Serious charges, including one of forgery, were brought against a clerk of the Post Office before Mr. Wynne Jones at the Central Police Court this morning when the defence withdrew pleas of guilty entered at a previous hearing to two other charges.

The defendant Tang Yuk-chau, was accused of stealing mail matter, forgery of drafts and obtaining money by fraud.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell (Assistant Attorney General) appeared for the Crown and Mr. G. K. Hall Brutton was for the defence.

Mr. Lindsell, after consultation with the Postmaster General (Mr. E. W. Hamilton), said he was instructed that if the prisoner pleaded guilty to the forgery charge the Crown would ask his Worship to deal summarily with the case.

Mr. Brutton then entered a plea of guilty to the forgery charge, and Mr. Lindsell withdrew the first and third counts.

Addressing his Worship in extenuation of sentence Mr. Brutton said that the defendant was undoubtedly not guilty on the first and third charges. A man, who had been in the Post Office, but was now no longer there, had actually taken the documents. The man formerly employed in the Post Office obtained a chop and used it on the drafts. The drafts were presented at the bank but the bank would not pay on the chop.

"Up To the Neck."

The defendant then came into the case. The man returned to the Post Office with the drafts, and confronting the defendant, informed him that he had been "in it up to the neck." The defendant, like a weak fool, went and got a chop as directed by this man. The chop was then used for the purpose of chopping the drafts. The money was received by the man and the defendant was made the scapegoat.

Mr. Brutton remarked that defendant's mother was prepared to reimburse the victims, although the defendant had not benefited. The sum involved was about \$500. Mr. Brutton asked his Worship to impose a fine and not to imprison the defendant. The lesson he had learned was already a severe one.

Mr. Lindsell submitted that the offence was not one for a fine. The facts as detailed by Mr. Brutton were practically the facts which the Crown could have proved. The Yat Yik Lung firm, which had been defrauded, had two chops. The "money chop" was used in ordinary business and the "bank chop" was used for remittances, drafts, etc. The manager of the firm received a form from the Post Office asking him to call for a letter containing money. He took his ordinary "money chop." He was met at the counter by the accused to whom he handed the "money chop" and received a letter containing \$20, the chop being given back to him.

Not Merely Catspaw.

Shortly afterwards, the accused went to the firm's premises and informed the manager that the chop was not good, as the Postmaster General required the "bank chop." The manager went to the Post Office and was again met by the accused who took the chop and disappeared. He returned later and handed the chop back to the manager.

The drafts were shortly afterwards taken to the bank and cashed. Admittedly there was no evidence that the accused had stolen the documents from the mail matter or that he was the person who had gone to the bank. It was highly improbable that he was merely the cat's-paw of a higher mind.

Mr. Lindsell pointed out that the object of punishment was that it should act as a deterrent to others. A large number of documents pass through the Post Office and if the staff were not above suspicion great detriment may be done to the Colony.

His Worship said that he would like to consider the case. He agreed with what the prosecution had said but at the same time he realised the condition of the defendant. He did not want to ruin him.

Decision was reserved until to-morrow morning.

Consequent on a tumble into the harbour from the Central Prison wall yesterday, a small Chinese boy was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from the effects of the experience.

Sir Samuel Hoare added that in the Legislative Assembly in motion against pressing on with constitutional reforms while Gandhi is in gaol was defeated without a division.—*British Wireless.*

OUR HONGKONG WOMEN.

SHARP REPLIES TO "HOMO:" GAZE INTO A CRYSTAL: NEEDS PITY NOT CRITICISM.

Sir,—Some of the correspondence in your paper on the subject of "Hongkong Women" appeals to me as highly humorous. "Homo," the Hongkong Gentleman(?) should attend a Mental Specialist to determine whether his brain is being attacked.

As to the "Arts of Seduction," if "Homo" is true to his conscience and, to quote his words (with apologies to Rudyard Kipling), "I've taken my fun where I've found it," has really and truly only spent the happiest (?) days of his life "alone with men where yonder the wide horizon lies," he is probably trying to create the impression that "the function for which she was given life" is a totally unknown factor in his life. As for the "flagrant renunciation" which he accuses Hongkong women of, well, has he not stopped to think that women have every right in the world for this "flagrant renunciation" since this function is the sole right of chosen partners in life and as marriages are supposed to be made in heaven, then alone (not infatuation) should most decidedly be the governing factor.

However, in spite of his comments, my reading in between the lines gives me a picture of dear "Homo" as follows, and the crystal says:

A gentleman(?) now in his forties—probably thrown out of his childhood's home by a stern father for being an unmanageable youth—married to a very young girl while in his twenties—brought her out East away from friends and home, left her to lead a lonesome life while he enjoyed his evenings with plenty of drink and maybe some fair lady friends—later no money left from his salary to bring home to wife—and as she cannot live on air, she decides to terminate the marriage contract after slaving under it for a year or so. He finds another companion (most certainly not of his own nationality as what European woman would put up with "Homo's" type?) and even she decides that he is not so wonderful after all, and when forgoes her from a woman is no more to be enjoyed, in the hopes of obtaining undeserved sympathy from the general public, he decides to write to the Press, his remarks about the opposite sex, quite forgetful of the fact that his mother, possibly a

slater, and last but not least, probably a daughter, are of the female sex. As a mother should be the very dearest possession to the heart of a man, I, in my opinion, most certainly feel that he should at least write respectfully of our sex if he has to write at all, or else, "for ever after hold his peace."

Very fortunately, however, the men of "Homo's" type are few and far between, but if "estimable creatures" cannot be met by them among our sex, then I certainly would advise them to go where "yonder the wide horizon lies" and stay there to enjoy the "contented mind" where "Homo" has spent the "happiest days of his life."

"ANNABELLE."

Sir,—I have read the correspondence started by "Homo" in your columns with interest, and should like to add my few words.

"Homo" speaks in a decidedly crude manner of women in general, and Hongkong women in particular. I should like to tell him that all women are not like those whom he has apparently met here. Neither are all Hongkong women "gold-diggers." It is hardly fair of him to judge all people by those he has met. If his social circles bring him into contact with the type of woman he mentions, then I think it is pity and not criticism that he needs. If he is absolutely unable to make the acquaintance of any women of higher ideals than those he mentions, then I think it must be his personality that is at fault.

I note that he does not wish to disclose his name. I, too, refrain from disclosing mine, simply because this is a small colony where we hear so much about our neighbours without knowing them personally and we are apt to judge by what others say, and in a correspondence of this nature we do not want the personal element and personal prejudices.

I think if "Homo" is wise he will close the correspondence rather than defend himself in a weak manner and try to cover his weakness with the use of high-sounding words and phrases. They do not strengthen his arguments.

"PUSSY."

Grapes, however sour, when out of reach seem sweet; 'Tis possession brings the bitterness, disillusion and surfeit. CHICHESTER LES FEMMES.

PEAK HOUSEBOYS SENTENCED.

SEQUEL TO TWO THEFTS.

Two thefts on the Peak, committed in each case by "boys," were mentioned before Mr. Schofield at the Central Police Court this morning when Mr. J. J. French, of 10, The Peak, and Capt. A. R. Smeathers, of Mount Austin Barracks, appeared as complainants.

Against a "boy" employed by Mr. French there was a charge of stealing a gallon of kerosene, the defendant being fined \$20 with the alternative of three weeks' hard labour.

Sub-Inspector Chester Woods, who prosecuted, intimated that the defendant was arrested at 9 o'clock last night by an Indian constable as he was on his way from The Peak to Hongkong with the kerosene in his possession, he was taken back to his master from whom it was discovered that the kerosene had been taken without permission.

There were two separate charges brought against a "boy" employed at the Married Officers' Quarters, Mount Austin Barracks, the defendant being accused of stealing \$30 and 10/- on March 30 and \$35 on April 3.

According to Sub-Inspector Chester Woods, the police received a summons from Capt. Smeathers on the evening of April 3. They made enquiries into the thefts which were reported and the defendant was arrested. He later pointed out to the police where he had hidden part of the money on the hillside behind his quarters. Altogether \$27 and the 10/- note were recovered. The money in the first charge had been taken from a wardrobe drawer while on Sunday last the defendant stole \$35 from a drawer in the dressing table.

The officer remarked that it was a bad case, as the thefts had not been committed because of need. The money which was missing had been squandered by the defendant in meals at restaurants and at other places.

The defendant was sentenced to one month's hard labour on each charge.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

Rates were further marked up this morning, and fair all round enquiries are in evidence.

Sales.
Hongkong Banks \$1500.
Raubs \$374.
Providents (Old) \$485.
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$10.90.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 1474.
Hongkong Electric \$724/734.
Hongkong Ropes \$1034.
Watsons (Rights) \$34/3.60.
Govt. Loans 4 1/2% Premium.

Buyers.
Hongkong Bank \$1500.
Bank of East Asia \$114.
Benguet \$12.35.
Raubs \$274.
Wharves \$141.
Docks \$22.
Providents (Old) \$485.
Providents (New) \$24.
Hotels (Cum. Rights) \$13.35.
Hotels (Rights) \$2.60.
Hongkong Land \$774.
Hongkong Realities \$11.
Chinese Estates \$95.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 1470.
Hongkong Trams \$214.
Star Ferries \$91.
Hongkong Electric \$724.
Telephones (P.P.) \$23.76.
Cements (Combined) \$18.15.
Watsons (Cum. Rights) \$154.
Watsons (Rights) \$34.
Amusements \$21.
Constructions (New) \$1.85 ex div.
Govt. Loans 3 1/2% Premium.
Sellers.
Malayan Sugar \$21.
South China Enterprises \$10.

FANLING GOLF.

CAPTAIN'S CUP QUALIFIERS OVER WEEK-END.

In the Captain's Cup competition over the week-end J. Mandracchia and A. C. Gould qualified. Mandracchia who was the successful competitor over the old course had a score of 72, being 10 minus his handicap of 18. On the new course Gould qualified with a score of 77, being 22 minus 16.

The Royal Observatory reports that an anticyclone of moderate intensity has developed to the north of the Yangtze Valley. A depression is situated to the east of Mokkaido. Local forecast:—Light variable winds, fresh; freshening from N.E.; fair at first, probably some rain later.

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7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia and Regal Records.
7.00 p.m. Mail Notice, etc.
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Four Indian Love Lyrics (Woodford-Fladen).
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National Military Band. 9018R.
8.00 p.m. (Local Time and Weather Report).
7.30-8.25 p.m. Variety.
Song-You Try Somebody Else. DB734.
Kate Smith (Comedienne). DB734.
Organ Solo-Parade of the Weddings. Terence Casey. DB741.
Humorous Song-Grandma's Days and Nowadays.

Norman Long. DB738.
Orchestral-Bow-Bella-Selection. Jack Payne and His B. B. C. Dance Orchestra. DB735.
Vocal Duet-The Longer You Linger in Virginia. Layton and Johnstone. DB739.
Xylophone Solo-When the Circus Comes to Town. Rudy Starita. DB742.

Humorous Song-Resolutions for 1932. Norman Long. DB712.
Orchestral-Hold my Hand-Selection. Jack Payne and His B. B. C. Dance Orchestra. DB707.
Guitar Solo-In "A." Len Filis. DB723.
Orchestral-Helen-Selection. Charles Prentice and His Orch. DX390.

8.25-8.50 p.m. Operatic.
Orchestral-The Barber of Seville-Overture (Rossini). Percy Pitt conducting the B. B. C. Wireless Symphony Orch. 9166.
Chorus-The Student Prince-Drinking Song (Donnelly and Romberg). Raymond Marlowe, Paul Clemen, Olaf Olson and Chorus.
Chorus-The Student Prince-Serenade (Donnelly and Romberg). Allan Prior, Raymond Marlowe, Paul Clemen, Olaf Olson and Chorus. 9083.
Orchestral-Carmen-Selection (Bizet). Percy Pitt conducting the B. B. C. Wireless Symphony Orch. 9125.

8.50-9.15 p.m. Instrumental.
Piano Solo-Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 12 (Liszt). William Murdoch. 9282.
Violin Solo-Bourree (Sammons). Albert Sammons. 9484.
Piano Solo-Prelude in B Flat (Rachmaninoff).
Piano Solo-Polichinelle (Rachmaninoff).
Violin Solo-Elegie (Massenet). Left Poulshnoff. 9368.
Violin Solo-Elegie (Massenet). Albert Sammons. 9416.

9.15-10.30 p.m. Dance Music.
Fox Trot-You'll be Sorry. Fox Trot-Sweet Summer Breeze. CB404.
Fox Trot-Flaeta. Fox Trot-By My Side. CB288.
Fox Trot-Just a Blue-Eyed Blonde. Fox Trot-Lies. CB411.
Waltz-Merry Widow Waltz. Waltz-The Waltz Dream. MR225.
Fox Trot-You're the Kind of a Baby For Me. Fox Trot-All My Life. CB409.
Fox Trot-For the Love of Mike. Got a Date with an Angel. Fox Trot-For the Love of Mike. Who do You Love? CB363.
Fox Trot-My Song. Fox Trot-Thanka My Darksies. Fox Trot-Thanka My Darksies. Waltz-You're my Only Sweetheart. Fox Trot-When It's Sleepy. Time Down South. 2541-D.
Fox Trot-Dancing in the Dark. Fox Trot-Have You Forgotten? CB407.
Fox Trot-Action Speak Louder Than Words. CB409.
Fox Trot-Home. Fox Trot-Thank Your Father. Waltz-I'll Always be True. MR373.

9.30-9.40 p.m. A Talk by Dr. Radio of the Radio Service Station.
10.30 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.
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READING ABOUT CHINA.

INTERESTING PAPER READ.

Tackling the very extensive subject of "Books on China," Professor C. A. Middleton Smith, M.Sc., yesterday read a paper to the Hongkong branch of the English Association, when he made interesting and entertaining reference to many of the volumes which have been published.

Books dealing with early China, its history, politics, sociology, customs, together with novels were all mentioned by the speaker, whose conclusions regarding the various literary contributions in connection with the country and its people added much to the interest of the paper. Concluding his paper, Professor Middleton Smith said:

A World Civilisation.

In this very limited glance at books about China I have omitted references to many that may be the favourites of some members of my patient audience. I have had one object only—to persuade you to study seriously the problem upon the solution of which the future of humanity rests.

For if the world is to be stable, it must have more organisation than was necessary in former days. Science has lengthened human life, diminished disease, increased the productivity of labour, so much that every human being could have tolerable comfort without long hours of work. If only the world's production and distribution were efficiently managed. Yet there are many difficulties and dangers before the rising generation.

It is simply due to human stupidity and inertia that some of the greatest scourges still afflict mankind. Machines and scientific inventions can prevent evils. Science can construct a framework within which the good life is possible; it cannot do more. It can cure sickness but it cannot ensure that a man shall do with his health. It can cure poverty but it cannot ensure that a man will do with his leisure and wealth.

Wisdom and Knowledge.

The problem is, in the final analysis, one of education. Education that teaches us to be charitable as well as clever, to work for knowledge as well as gold; and especially to reflect upon the wisdom of all ages gathered together in books. It is because this Association is concerned with such things that I feel it a privilege to address you to-day. For while I believe that science has made the road open to a future happier than at any other previous stage in human history, yet it is more true than ever to-day that man cannot live by bread alone.

The troubles of the new world civilisation are not caused by man's old enemy Nature, for Nature is no longer formidable. She has been subdued by modern knowledge. Our troubles are due to misunderstandings between individuals and between nations.

They are genuinely man-made. Alas! that wisdom is so much more difficult to acquire than knowledge.

Topic Discussed.

Several members joined in the discussion at the conclusion of the address. After complimenting Prof. Middleton Smith on his very learned paper, Father G. T. Byrne mentioned that he himself had made a list of books and had placed "Chinese Characteristics" first. After he had gone into China the speaker said that he rather modified the impressions he had gathered. Books written on China, it struck him, were very much coloured by the particular national outlook of the author. The net result of his conclusions were that "Chinese Characteristics" left a rather imperfect impression on his mind. No matter how good a book was it would always be a one-sided view. The speaker commented that when writers of different nations all agreed on any particular point then that point could be accepted with safety.

The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern said that Father Byrne's remark about the danger of paying too much attention to what has been written on China by foreigners owing to the fact that they might look at China with preconceived ideas inspired him to bring up his experience with that very excellent book "Good Earth." He had discussed it with a European who had lived in China for a great part of his life and knew the country extraordinarily well. The friend who was well versed with that book said that it was not a correct view of the Chinese mentality, and stressed the fact that the author introduced into his characters views and feelings which were entirely western.

Shortly after that an extraordinarily well educated Chinese gentleman who passed through the Colony recently was given Mrs. Southern's copy of "Good Earth" and asked what he thought of it. He wrote to Mrs. Southern from the ship on which he was sailing to Europe and said that it was an extraordinarily good book and an extraordinarily good picture. Mrs. P. E. Barker, in commenting on two books which she had read warned those present against reading books on Hongkong. She

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had read several but had not read one which was correct.

Prof. R. K. M. Simpson commented upon the works of Giles who has translated several books from Chinese.

A vote of thanks was accorded Prof. Middleton Smith while the Hon. Mr. Southern expressed a vote of thanks to Prof. Simpson for the work he had done during the year. The members, he said, owed him a deep debt of gratitude.

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OBITUARY.

FORMER MINISTER OF AUSTRALIA-HUNGARY.

Vienna, Apr. 6.

The death has occurred of Count Czernin, who was Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister during the later stages of the late European War.—*Reuter.*

Ottokar (Count) Czernin was born at Dimokar in September, 1872, of an old Bohemian family. Adopting the diplomatic career, he soon became one of the intimates of the Archduke Franz Ferdinand (who was murdered at Sarajevo in 1914) and the latter had him sent to Bucharest as Minister. There he remained till Rumania entered the war in 1916.

This outcome of his efforts in Bucharest resulted in his being bitterly attacked in the Hungarian Parliament. In reply the Austrian Foreign Minister issued a red-book defending Czernin's conduct of the Legation at Bucharest. In December, 1916, Count Czernin became Foreign Minister in place of Count Burian. In that capacity he carried out the peace policy initiated by Kaiser Karl. On the basis of military successes he was able to make peace with the Ukraine in February, 1918, with Rumania in March, and in April with Rumania. The conversations with France which were carried on in Switzerland from August, 1917, till February, 1918, however, failed to avert the offensive in the spring of 1918. With the publication by the French Premier Clemenceau of the letter from Kaiser Karl to Prince Sixte of Parma, which had inaugurated these negotiations, Czernin had to resign in April, 1918.

After the war he published his recollections in which he attacks Kaiser Karl. Rather than become a subject of the Czechoslovak Republic, he adopted Austrian nationality and was elected to the Austrian National Council, but did not take any prominent part in its deliberations. In 1918, he made a striking speech on "policy during the World War," which has since been published.

GERMAN WIRE.

FIRM GETS BIG ORDER FROM JAPAN.

Cologne, Apr. 5.
Large Japanese orders will fully employ the Bestas rolled wire works at Hochfeld, near Duisburg, for a long period.

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BRITISH STABILITY.

LAST VESTIGE OF U.S. CREDIT REPAID.

New York, Apr. 5.
As further proof of Britain's financial strength, the last vestige of the Morgan banking credit of \$200,000,000 granted to Britain last August was repaid to-day. According to the *Herald Tribune*, the United States will not cancel the credit, which will remain open until August 28.—*Reuter's American Service.*

"A VILLAGE CONCERT."

DELIGHTFUL ENTERTAINMENT AT HELENA MAY.

The Helena May Hall was crowded to its utmost capacity last night when the Red Triangle Concert Party presented "A Village Concert," a performance which was vastly amusing for its comedy and burlesque.

The concert was given in aid of St. Peter's Church Funds. It had been presented at the European Y.M.C.A. last February and its success there led the producers to present it again last night.

An introductory by the Squire, Mr. J. H. Hunt, who acted the part of master of ceremonies, brought the Scholmaster, Mr. W. Stoker, and his Glee Party of Yokels on the stage. Their harmony singing was excellently received by the audience. Mr. S. A. Sweet then gave a discourse alleged to be on silkworms, which being in the nature of a humorous monologue kept the audience in continuous laughter.

The Village Tenor, Mr. J. C. M. Grenham, next held the stage with a comical rendition of the song "Until," after which Mr. J. J. Ferguson, as the Auctioneer, demonstrated how everything and anything could be sold with only the possession on an accent of Heather.

The female impersonation by Mr. R. Dormer, was perhaps the best burlesque item in the programme, and as a visiting opera star he caused roars of laughter. Mr. G. W. E. True also gave a very clever burlesque on the piano, when he acted the part of a boy prodigy performing the five finger exercise.

In the second half of the programme, all the artistes obliged again. Mr. Grenham, as the Dame, provided much fun, when he recounted experiences from youthful days. The "hit" of the evening was the clever simultaneous dancing by Mr. J. J. Ferguson and Mr. Grenham, who as the Village Sweep, came in for rounds of applause. The entertainment wound up with the whole party giving a few songs.

MOSCOW TRIAL.

SISTER GIVES EVIDENCE AGAINST BROTHER.

Moscow, Apr. 5.
"My brother was always hostile to the Soviet," declared Karasina, in giving evidence against her brother, Judas Stern, who is on trial for his life. Stern pleaded guilty before the Supreme Court, of a "terroristic act" in attempting to kill M. Pwardowski, the Counsellor of the German Embassy. She added that her brother stole her revolver after failing to borrow it. Karasina was called to the witness box by M. Krilenko, the respectable public prosecutor.—*Reuter.*



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All broken, chafed and damaged goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Anderson and Ashe on the 8th April, 1932, at 10 a.m.

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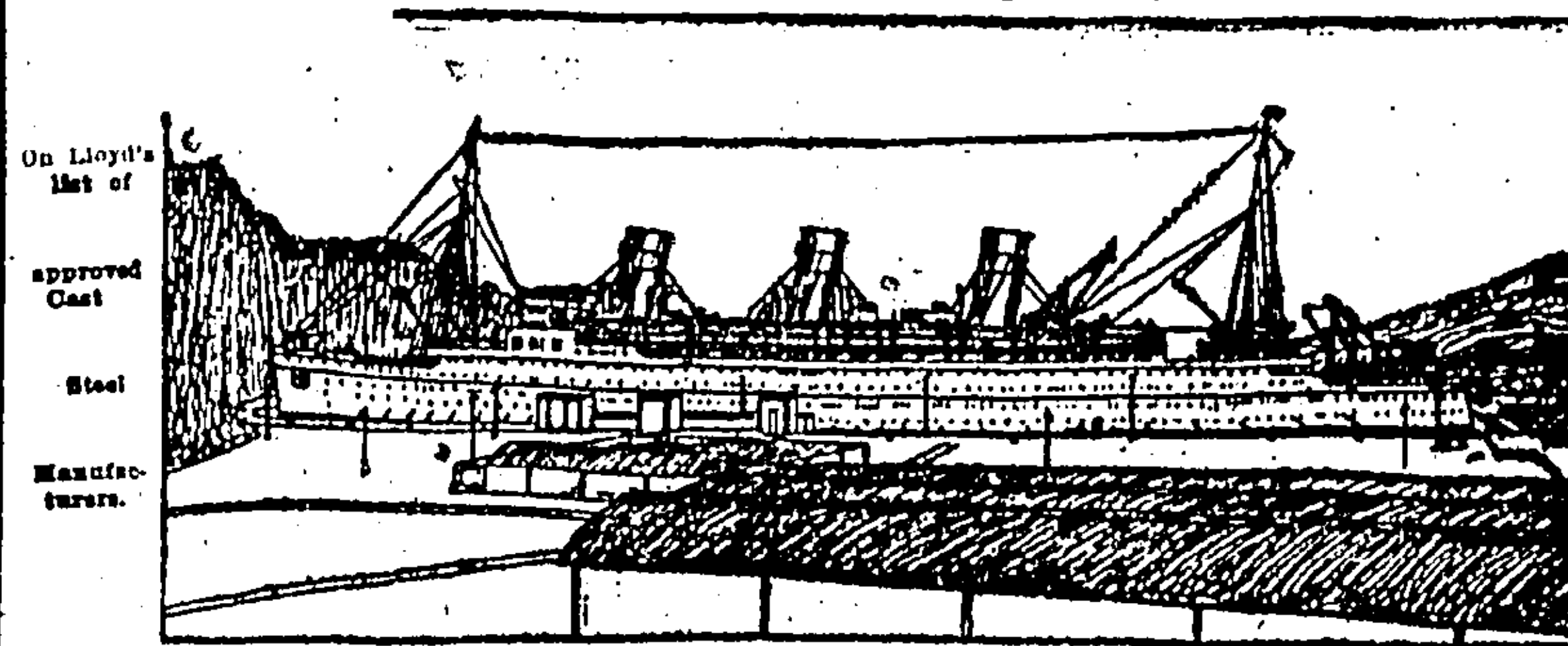
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*BANGALORE	6,500	30th Apr.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yoko
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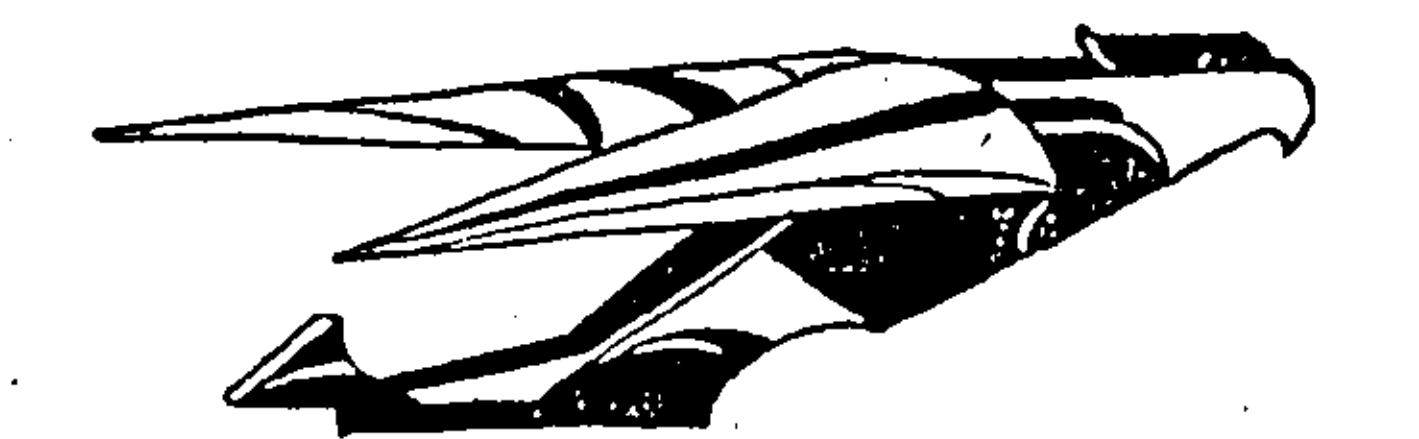
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Leading Powers' Manoeuvring.

GERMANY'S AIM.

London, Apr. 6. Signor Grandi, the Italian Foreign Minister, has arrived in London, thus completing the delegations to the Four Power Conference (British, French, Italian and German) which is to discuss the Danubian Economic Federation.

The Conference opens to-day at the Foreign Office, and is to be presided over by the Prime Minister, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald. It is hoped to conclude the sittings by the week-end, in view of the resumption of the Disarmament Conference at Geneva on Monday.

The immediate object of the Conference is to prevent the bankruptcy and cessation of trade of the Danubian States by a system of tariff preferences and loans.

British Investment.

British, French and American capital is deeply involved in the Danubian States British to the extent of £200,000,000. Hence, apart from the humanitarian aspect, the urgency of nursing the bankrupts so that millions sterling will not be finally lost.

Germany and Italy, which take a vast amount of produce from the Danubian States, are anxious to enter the Federation, but France and her satellites of the Little Entente, are adamantly opposed thereto and fear they may swamp the smaller partners.

In any case, with Germany in the Federation would approach, in French eyes, dangerously near the Austro-German Customs Union which France successfully torpedoed last year.—*Reuter.*

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In connection with the subscription list started by Mr. G. H. Potts, Chairman of the Macao Jockey Club, for the purpose of making a presentation to the officers and crew of the s.s. Chuen Chow, subscriptions have been received from the following:—The Hon. Mr. W. E. L. Shenton, Hon. Mr. C. Gordon Mackie, Messrs. A. M. L. Soares, W. T. Stanton, W. C. van der Steen, W. E. P. Saunders, Woo Lai-tin, Paul M. Hodgson, T. J. Draper, Sin Cheuk-man, Ho Wai-hing, Mrs. R. J. Paterson, Mrs. E. Baker and "Anonymous."

As the list will be closed next

PARLIAMENT REASSEMBLES.

QUESTIONS OF THE HOUR.

London, Apr. 5. The House of Commons reassembled to-day after the Easter vacation.

During questions, the President of the Board of Trade, Mr. Walter Hume, said the Government could not regard as satisfactory the reply received from the German Government regarding the restrictions on British coal imported into Germany and were making further representations.

Regarding the Ottawa Economic Conference, which opens on July 22nd, the Dominions Secretary, Mr. J. H. Thomas, said the Government were favourably disposed to propose that business leaders and representatives of organised labour should be attached to the United Kingdom delegation and were in communication on the subject with the Dominion Governments.

The Parliamentary Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Captain Eden, informed the House that some progress had been made during the Sino-Japanese negotiations in Shanghai, though there were still certain points on which agreement remains to be reached.

The conference between the two sides is still proceeding with the assistance of representatives of the friendly Powers. *British Wireless.*

MEXICAN SEAMAN NOT WANTED.

EXPULSION ORDER MADE.

Ramon Mendoza, a Mexican seaman, appeared before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Magistracy to-day, charged with being a vagrant.

For the police, Mr. J. H. V. Booth stated that the man arrived here on a German ship, possessing what was undoubtedly a certificate of identity enabling him to land in Bristol in June, 1931. It lacked a visa and was open to question having regard to the fact that the Hongkong Ordinance made no mention of the presence of the man was not desired in the Colony, as it appeared that he was without legitimate means of subsistence.

Mendoza mentioned that he had been told by the United States Consulate that a job might be given him on a Dollar steamer. Mr. Booth stated that all the police were asking for was an expulsion order.

week, it is hoped that further subscriptions will be received before then.

EXTRA POLICE NEEDED.

Emergency Unit for Kowloon.

FINANCE VOTES.

Figuring in votes to come before the Finance Committee of the Legislative Council on Thursday is a sum of \$28,800 in respect of an emergency police unit for Kowloon and extra beats in certain areas. It is explained that in view of the possible reaction on Hongkong of disturbances in China, the formation of this new emergency unit is considered necessary. Moreover, recent building activity has resulted in certain areas being insufficiently patrolled, and it is proposed to form additional beats on the Praya Reclamation, Shamshui-po, Hung Hom, Kowloon City and Mongkok. The yearly cost of the emergency unit is \$17,844, and of the extra beats \$10,956.

A further sum of \$5,500 is to be asked for forming children's playground on part of the ground at present allotted to the Kowloon Cricket Club. The sum is for formation, levelling and turfing, shelter (including latrine) and see-saw, maypole and sand-pit. It is added that the present playground at Chatham Road is extremely unsuitable for its purpose.

Another sum of \$2,750 is requested for the erection on Crown land at Kowloon City of a kiosk to serve as a Post Office, in place of the presented rented premises.

LOCAL BARRISTER FINED.

NO LICENCE FOR RADIO SET.

Mr. A.M.L. Soares, the local barrister, was fined \$5 by Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court this morning for failing to renew the licence for his radio set.

Mr. E.W. Hamilton (Postmaster General) informed his Worship that the defendant had been unfortunate, as the warning notice was not passed on to him by those to whom it was delivered. Mr. Hamilton pointed out he would prosecute everybody who had no licence for radio sets. He would even prosecute his Worship if he had an unlicensed set.

Mr. Soares remarked that his failure to renew had been due to an oversight.

A similar fine was imposed on a Chinese owner whose offence, according to the Postmaster General, was very much the same as that of Mr. Soares. The defendant had now renewed his licence.

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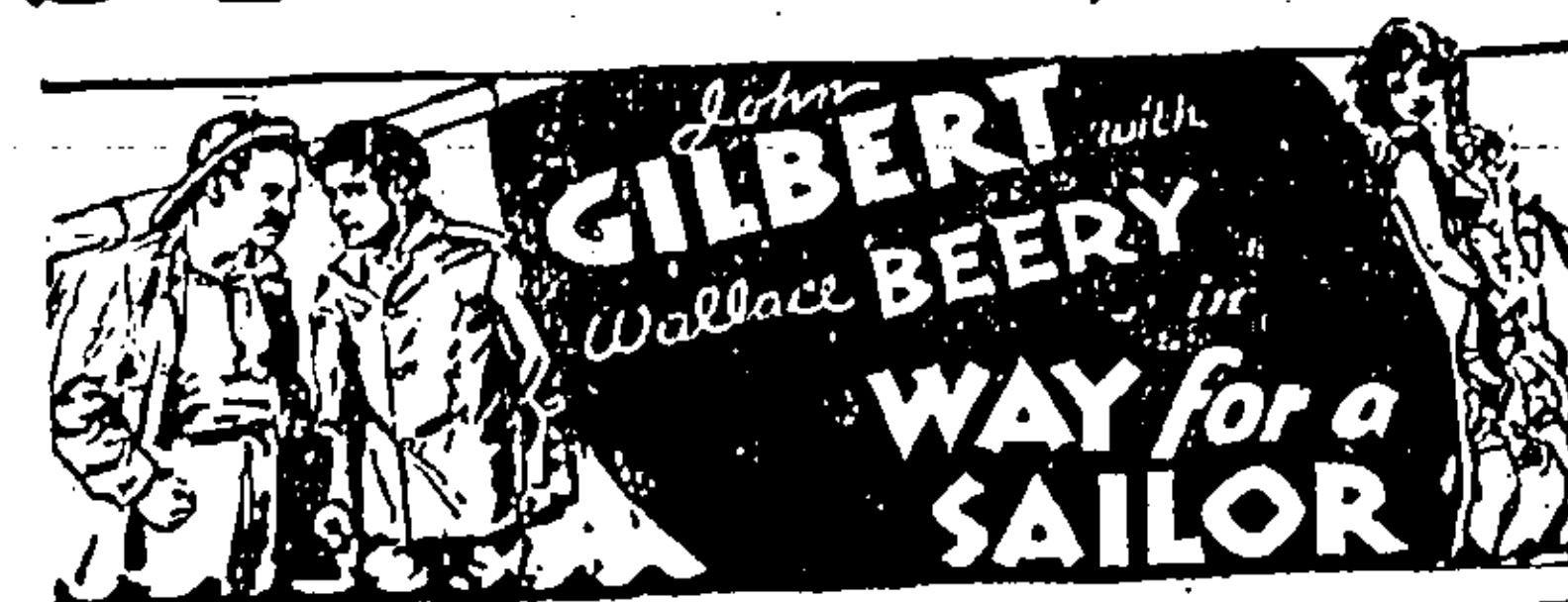
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BREEZY LOW-DOWN ON DAY-TIME WIVES

**Behind
OFFICE
DOORS**
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OTHERS

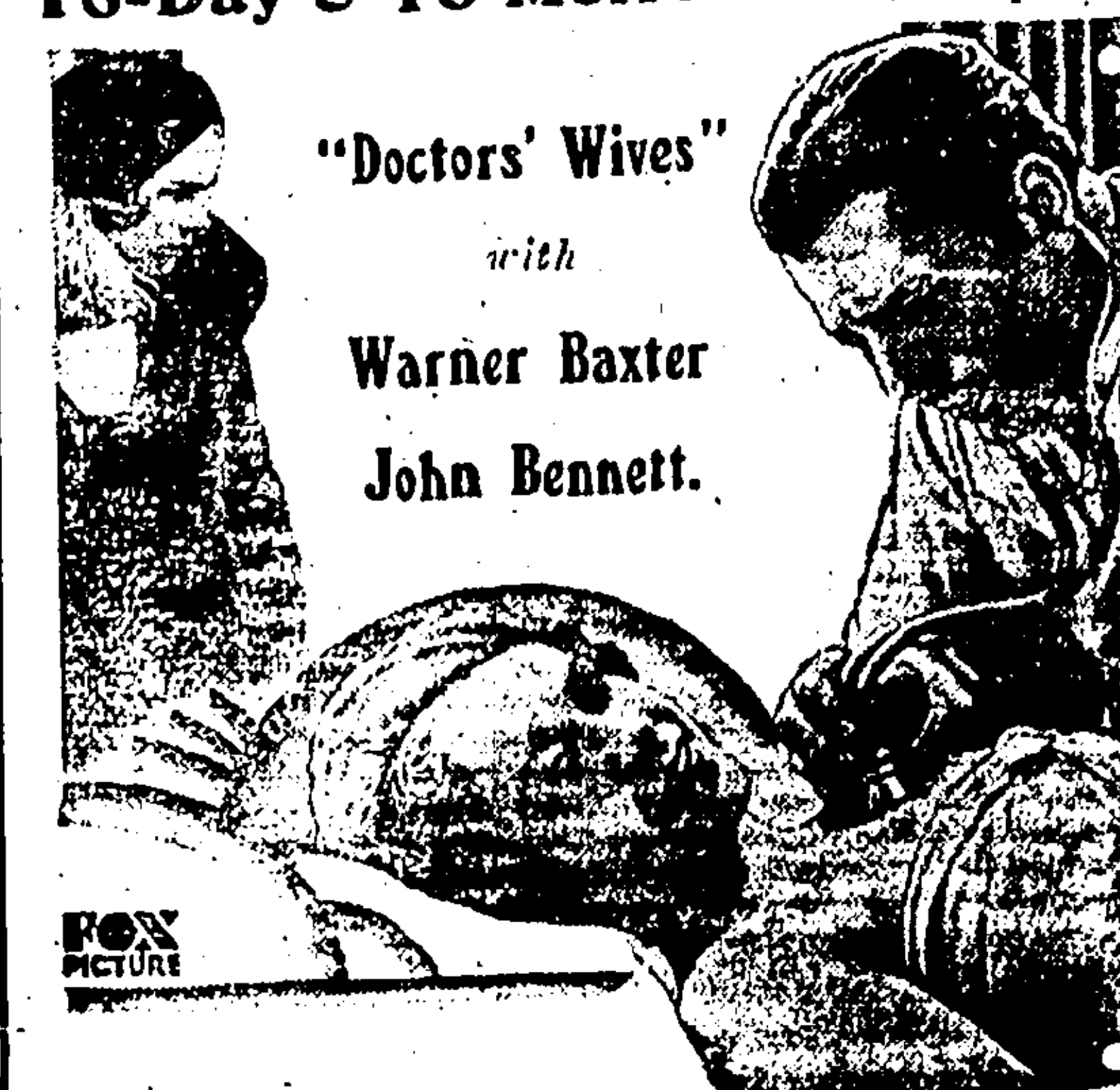
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SILVER CONFERENCE.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT'S
POSITION.

London, Apr. 5. The Financial Secretary to the Treasury, Major Elliot, informed the House of Commons that the Government has not received any official representations concerning the holding of an international silver conference, and the Government does not propose to initiate any action in the matter.—*Reuter.*

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